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ANNUAL CAROL SERVICE

Interesting Services Consisting of Carols and Selections by Vested Choirs and Quartette. Inspiring Address by Miss Esta Mae Barr.

The twilight carol service of the Courteous Circle, King's Daughters, was held Sunday evening in the South Church. A large audience from the Protestant churches was present and enjoyed the program of music and the stirring address of Miss Esta Mae Barr of Boston. The music was in charge of Frederic G. Moore, the organist of the South Church. The program consisted of Christmas songs and carols sung by the vested choir of the Free and South churches. The choir, carrying lighted candles, marched around the church aisles singing "Hark the Herald Angels Sing" as a processional. A quartette consisting of William McEwan, J. W. Crowe, G. A. Christie and Eugene Weeks sang "Tell it out among the Nations" and "God Bless our Noble Men." The carols were thrown upon the screen and sung by the congregation.

The principal feature of the second part of the program was the address of Miss Barr who spoke on her impressions of the war, gained from her visit to

Canada. Miss Barr began by stating that her activities in all branches of work for the relief of war sufferers satisfied her that she was doing as much as the average woman of Europe. This view she held until she went to Canada. Then she learned what the Canadian women were doing and came to the conclusion that the Americans were only playing at the work. They had been knitting, buying Liberty Bonds and sewing for the Red Cross, but in all these there was no sacrifice equal to the labors and gifts of the Canadian women.

Miss Barr gave an estimate of what American women must do, in knitting alone, as compared with what had been done in Canada in sending out 280,000 pairs of socks in one week to their own soldiers. Socks do not last more than five days and the soldiers' feet must be taken care of.

Miss Barr related what had been done in Halifax and said 25,000 wounded men had been returned to the city.

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LOCAL NEWS NOTES

Begin the New Year right by subscribing to the Townsman.

Misses Grace and Madge Higgins spent Christmas in Jamaica Plain.

Mr. and Mrs. Banfield, spent the Christmas holidays in Cambridge.

The Misses Elizabeth and Mae Bartlett are home for the holidays from the Garden Art school.

Miss Mary Mason, of Whittier street, spent the week-end, and Christmas day, with her sister, in Lynn.

Miss Pearl Ralph of Chapman Court, teacher in Bethel, Vt., is spending her vacation at her home.

Look up the Bay State advertisement in this issue for time of cars to Boston and Lawrence, also Wilson's Corner.

Miss Elizabeth Allen is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard M. Allen, Bartlett street.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip P. Cole of Andover, Conn., spent Christmas with Hon. and Mrs. John N. Cole, Highland road.

Miss Fdna Francis, who is teaching in Washington, is home for the Christmas holidays with her parents, on Bartlett street.

David McDonald of the National Army, of Camp Devens, has been promoted to Corporal of the Headquarters platoon.

Mr. and Mrs. James Leslie of Hartford, Conn., spent the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. David Leslie, Red Spring road.

Miss Dorothy Newton is home for the Christmas holidays, from Wellesley College, with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Newton, Salem street.

The South Church Sunday School is the recipient of a large American flag, Service flag and Honor-roll, given to the school by Supt. George A. Torrey.

Bernard L. McDonald, one of the popular local post-office clerks, and brother of Postmaster John H. McDonald, has received an appointment as chief yeoman in the U. S. Navy and is awaiting orders.

Miss Elizabeth and Miss Dorothy Cole, both of Waterbury, Conn., are spending their Christmas vacation at their home, on Highland road. The former is a teacher in the Waterbury school, and the latter is a student at St. Margaret's School.

Among the holiday visitors in Andover this week have been Miss Miriam Carpenter of Cambridge, engaged in secretarial work at Harvard University, and Miss Isabel Starbuck of Simmons College. Her brother, Eric Starbuck, of the Noble and Greenough School, Boston, has accepted a place as teacher in the Choate School, Wallingford, Conn. Miss Helen Swanton, of Andover, a schoolmate of Miss Starbuck at Simmons, now joins her in the occupancy of her apartment at Cambridge.

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Lewis Torrey has gone to Washington, D. C., for a ten-days' trip.

Charles Dalton has entered the service of the Tyer Rubber Co. for the vacation.

George Poland of the E. E. Grey Co., Essex street, spent Christmas in Methuen.

The picture in Morse's window of a captured Zeppelin has been received recently from France.

Dow Hamblin and Hardwick Bigelow have gone to work for Gutterman and Gould for the Christmas vacation.

The amount of \$3.60, the surplus of the sleigh ride by the pupils of the Stowe School, was given to the Red Cross.

Clan Johnston has unfurled a service flag on Musgrove building. There are twenty stars on the flag and three more will be added.

Miss Agnes Cumming, stenographer for Prof. W. K. Moorehead, has been spending the Christmas holidays with her mother, in Springfield.

Dr. Alfred E. Stearns is going to New York City to-morrow to attend the meeting of the Regents of the Cum Laude Societies.

Combination No. 1 answered a still alarm Wednesday at 12 m., for a chimney fire, in the residence of N. E. Bartlett, Central street.

Boy Scouts, Troop I, will meet in the Guild this evening at 7.15. They are rehearsing for an entertainment, notice of which will be given later.

The Benefit for the Andover boys by the double quartet and other talent in the town hall, January 15, promises to be of special interest and value.

Miss Lucretia Love of Radcliffe College is enjoying her Christmas vacation at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Lowe, of Summer street.

Howard Dunnells has entered the employ of the Western Union Telegraph office. He was discharged from the Navy on account of physical disability.

John Ronan of Morton street has enlisted in the Naval Reserves, and reported at Charlestown Thursday. From Charlestown he will be transferred to Hingham.

Walter O'Connell, son of Mr. and Mrs. O'Connell of Chestnut street, who has been stationed at Fort Slocum, has been transferred to Camp Georgia, Jacksonville, Fla.

Miss Irene Odlin, a student at St. Mary's Episcopal school, New York City, is spending her Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William L. Odlin, Main street.

Bernard L. McDonald, one of the popular local post-office clerks and brother of postmaster John H. McDonald, has received an appointment as chief yeoman in the U. S. Navy and is awaiting orders.

Alex J. Dudley of Camp McLellan, Anniston, Ala., enjoyed a furlough of seven days, recently. Four days of the furlough he spent in Andover with friends. Mr. Dudley is Army Field Clerk at Headquarters, in Camp McLellan.

NOTICE TO REGISTRANTS

Until further notice the headquarters of the Legal Advisory Board at the Committee Room in the Town Hall will be open afternoons from four o'clock until six, and evenings from seven o'clock until nine. Registrants desiring the assistance of the Board must act promptly in bringing in their "questionnaires."

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NOTICE

Ballardvale subscribers are notified that the branch office will be closed until January eighth. Payments however will be received at this office at any time during office hours.

North Andover subscribers are reminded that payments will be received on Liberty Bonds every Saturday afternoon from 2 until 4.30 at the Board of Public Works office in the Odd Fellows Building.

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Joseph Stewart has entered the service of the American Express company.

Miss Mira Wilson is home from Boston University for the Christmas vacation.

George Eastwood, after spending a few days in Providence, R. I., has returned.

Frank E. Whiting's Jewelry store, will be closed Monday and Tuesday of next week.

George A. Christie has moved to 115 Chestnut street since selling his property on Elm street.

Ensign Arthur Cummings, of the Transport service visited his father during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. John Kydd of Providence, R. I., spent a few days with relatives in town.

Miss Elizabeth Hamblin is spending her Christmas holidays with her parents on Chestnut street.

Henry Porter, who enlisted in the Coast Artillery has been rejected on account of physical disability.

Howard Conkey of Porter road has enlisted in the U. S. navy and reported at Charlestown Wednesday.

L. D. Sherman, former photographer in town, spent the holiday season with his family on Main street.

Joseph Daley, stationed at Fort Banks, in the Coast Artillery Corps, spent the week-end with his parents.

William Sellers of Waltham, is spending his Christmas holidays at the home of his mother on Highland road.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Fleming of Charlestown spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Lane, Salem street.

Douglas E. Hutcheson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hutcheson of Chestnut street, has enlisted in the United States Navy.

Henry Carse of New Bedford, is spending a few days at the home of his father, Frank L. Carse, Main street.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hopkins and son, spent the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Edmond Hammond, Whittier street.

Corporal Augustine Conroy, of Camp Devens, son of Dr. E. C. Conroy of Essex street, spent Christmas at home.

Private John J. Fleming of Camp Devens, spent a short furlough, including Christmas day, in town, with friends.

Alfred Coates is enjoying his furlough of ten days at his home in town. He is a member of the crew of the U. S. S. Georgia.

A new fish market will be opened in the Post Office building, January 15, and will be in charge of Mr. Olsen of Reading.

Sergeant Alex. Ness and Private John J. Fleming, enjoyed Christmas at their homes, on a brief furlough from Camp Devens.

Joseph Stack, member of the Coast Artillery Corps, Fort Banks, spent a short furlough in town recently, with his friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Percival D. Perry of Foxcroft, Me., are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Richardson, Whittier street.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank L. Holt announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Lillian G. Holt, to Leslie Robert Carmichael, U. S. N.

The Red Cross Sewing meetings held at the Free Church parlor, will be merged into the Red Cross meetings at the Noyes Club.

Lewis P. Lindsay of Camp Upton, at Long Island, is visiting relatives in town. He is engaged in Y. M. C. A. work, and will return January.

ANDOVER "OVER THE TOP"

Splendid Work of Red Cross Committee Results in Large Membership. Andover's Maximum Quota of 1840 Members Passed Easily. Total of 3150.

In the recent Red Cross campaign, the Lawrence district took out memberships to the number of 24,000, up to Monday night. This number exceeded the assigned quota by 2,500. The city of Lawrence enrolled somewhat over 17,000, and had several hundred to spare above its quota; Methuen had 3,000, and was over the top by 135. North Andover had 660, — ten beyond its quota: And over enrolled 3,100, where its quota of new members had been 1,500. It would not be true to say that Andover pulled the rest of the district through, since no part of the district failed; but Andover improved the general showing considerably.

There are several reasons for believing that Andover has been more alive to war needs than the rest of the district. Her young men have enlisted in large numbers. The Red Cross Branch in the town was particularly efficient even before America entered into the war. Nevertheless, many people wait to be asked to do a thing; and in Andover they were asked lately very generally and very carefully to join the Red Cross. So, while the credit for Andover's present unusually large membership (38 per cent of the population) rests mainly with Andover itself, it is partly due to the canvassing committees of the campaign. Thirty-eight per cent is a truly fine showing for the town, and also a fine proof of thorough and energetic work done by the soliciting workers.

It is impossible to specify names. One who knows the facts would like to specify this worker or that worker. Each of our villages and rural districts had its own story of devoted effort. A number of streets enrolled 100 per cent membership of homes. There is a Red Cross in each of their houses. Of the two larger communities in the town, Ballardvale stands ahead; but there is no need for undue pride or envy where all did so nobly. Every member of the Ballardvale Mills joined the Society.

An uncommon success for the Drive was assured from the 16th, when the two stirring mass meetings were held, which have already been described in the Townsman. In the morning clergyman of all churches had commended the coming campaign, and some of the

morning sermons were devoted to the importance of Red Cross work. On the 17th, headquarters were opened in the store of the Postoffice building on Essex street. As indicated elsewhere, it was given entirely rent free by its owners, Dr. T. J. Donovan of Lawrence and Bernard McDonald of this town. And its furnishings were contributed without cost by Messrs. Buchan and Francis. The position was an admirable one for a central post, while the canvassers on that day began covering the town from the Reading line to the Lowell line. Towards the end of the week, the headquarters work had the assistance of a number of young women, who stopped in the midst of Christmas shopping to copy lists of names both for the temporary and the permanent records. The committees which brought the campaign to its triumphant close were made up as follows:—

Executive Committee for Andover: the chairman of these sub-committees—Publicity, John C. Angus; factories, W. Dudley Yates; business men, Fred G. Cheney; house-to-house, Mrs. Charles Buchan; rural districts, Frank H. Hardy; public schools, Henry C. Sanborn; private schools, Alfred E. Stearns; boy scouts, Henry G. Tyler; treasurer, William C. Crowley, and chairman, Mr. Shipman.

Executive Committee for Ballardvale: the Chairman of these sub-committees—Publicity, William Shaw; factories, Howell Wilson; house-to-house, Miss Mary Gegan; treasurer, Miss Martha Byington.

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Business Men's Committee: Fred G. Cheney, chairman; Frank L. Cole, Virgil D. Harrington, David L. Coutts, Samuel P. Hulme.

House-to-House Committee: Mrs. C. S. Buchan, general chairman and divisional chairman, with Mrs. Chester Abbott, Mrs. Mary E. Dalton, Mrs. J. Harry Kidder as aids. Mrs. Fred G. Cheney, with Mrs. Frank L. Cole, Mrs. Leon O. Duncklee, Mrs. Stephen Gilliard, Mrs. Ellis Hudson, Mrs. Harry P. Norcott, Mrs. James Walker as aids. Mrs. Charles J. Francis, with Mrs. Mary

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BOSTON THEATRES

COPLEY

The Henry Jewett Players will present for the first time in Boston next Monday evening at the Copley Theatre a rollicking comedy entitled "General John Regan" which has been a great success in London and in New York. It is a dramatization by George A. Birmingham of his novel of the same title, and its plot and characters and scenes will provide the playgoer with something entirely different from the ordinary. Horace P. Billing, an American tourist, discovers the remote Irish village of Ballymoy, and announces that he is looking for the birthplace of General John Regan, the great Irish patriot who died fighting gloriously for liberty in far-away Bolivia. Dr. Lucius O'Grady, who combines the professions of physician and apothecary, and who is also something of a humorist, does not see why Ballymoy should not claim the hero, and being promised a subscription from Billing he starts a fund in honor of the great hero of whom he has never heard and of whose very existence he is very much in doubt. The fun grows fast and furious throughout the entire play up to the very final situation, when the doctor emerges triumphant, and actually gets the lord lieutenant's representative, who has no ear for music, to stand uncovered while the Ballymoy band plays "The Wearing of the Green." The Henry Jewett Players will give this comedy the merriest of performances.

A week from Monday the play at the Copley will be W. Somerset Maugham's drama of life in the Canadian west entitled "The Land of Promise."

PARK SQUARE

"Upstairs and Down" continues to delight capacity audiences at the Park Square Theatre, and is proving an ideal holiday attraction. It is by all odds the most delectable comedy that has reached Boston this season, and that is saying a great deal in a season which has been marked with a succession of notable productions. The humor of the comedy is obtained by the most legitimate of means, and proceeds from the comparisons of attitudes in life and manners between the habits of the drawing room and the domestic below stairs. Polite society in the freedom of a summer home at the seashore is revealed indulging in actions not at all like what is expected of its members. Certain proprieties are ignored, and when it comes to the showing up of the personages there is no more efficient means than the testimony of the folk of the kitchen. The actions of one of the guests at the week-end party, a self-willed girl who resorts to the most dangerous subterfuges to gain her desires, furnishes the bulk of the humor, the while it shocks in the least bit the punctilious onlooker. But the authors, Frederic and Fanny Hatton, have so drawn their characters, and the perfect cast of players provided by Oliver Morosco, play them so well, that it is all in the spirit of good fun, the whole resulting in excellent comedy. The regular matinees are given on Wednesdays and Saturdays, but there will be an extra matinee on Tuesday, New Year's Day. Mail orders accompanied by a self-addressed, stamped envelope and including the 10% War Tax will receive as careful attention as personal applications.

PLYMOUTH

William Collier, America's foremost comedian, will be the attraction at the Plymouth Theatre, starting New Year's Eve, in "Nothing but the Truth," the most conspicuous farce success of recent years. This is the play that James Montgomery wrote from a novel of the same name by Frederick Isham, and it is the most successful vehicle that Mr. Collier has ever had. Written solely for laugh purposes, it fulfills this mission admirably, for it is a well-constructed play, clean and proper in content, with numberless funny situations all tending to laughter.

"Nothing but the Truth" ran for a solid year at the Longacre Theatre in New York, and its immense success has made its story pretty well known. Briefly it is woven around a young business man who rashly asserts that there is altogether too much falsifying going on in this mundane world, and he hazards the assertion that everyone would be happier if the truth was told more frequently in our business and social affairs. His two partners promptly call him to account and offer to wager him \$10,000 that he cannot tell the truth—the absolute truth—for twenty-four hours. The young man rashly takes the wager and his troubles begin.

TREMONT TEMPLE

There have been many patriotic films that have been shown of late, but none with such a power of appeal to everyone with a spark of patriotism or with any red blood in their veins as the new Prizma presentation of "Our Navy," now being shown at the Tremont Temple, Boston.

For sheer beauty of picturing, glorifying the positive wonder of the celluloid film, the Prizma process is an epochal triumph. Every tint of the spectrum is revealed in its natural office in the projection of the pictures creating a reality perfect and amazing in its beauty. A touch of sublimity features the new process of picturing, perfecting it as does the age's wonderful achievement, the motion picture.

Critics and public with one accord acclaimed this production, "Our Navy," as the most wonderful spectacle that the motion picture has given the people. At times the picturing was interrupted with loud cheers, revealing how the spectators were thrilled. The result has been that crowds have been attending at each performance, but there remains only the coming week to view them.

This production differs from other war pictures in that there is no gloom, no evidence of shattering property or humans. Instead it is a glorious appeal to every American by showing the public what the Jackies are doing and how they are doing it in preparation. There is the building of ships, the working of them, the scenes of Jack at work and play, all views that will absorb you, make you a better patriot and have greater confidence in yourselves and the country.

There are two performances daily, at 2.15 and 8.15 p.m. Seats are all reserved.

GLOBE

"Intolerance," David W. Griffith's film masterpiece, and beyond all contention the most tremendous production that has ever been filmed, will begin its long expected engagement at the Globe Theatre, next Monday afternoon, December 31. What "The Birth of a Nation" was in comparison to any production that had preceded it, "Intolerance" is to this former high mark production of the wizard of motion picture producers, David W. Griffith. It transcends in splendor, in largeness of subject, in cost of producing and in conception any product of the picture maker's art.

Intolerance may be said to be the key-word to the cause for the greatest extremity to which the world has been put to-day and through all history. It is the most gigantic evil of social as well as national life. And this spectacle was devised and prepared by Mr. Griffith to exemplify his opinions of this human abomination. He takes episodes of history in four separate cycles to demonstrate his views. The first is in the Babylon of Belshazzar; the next at the St. Bartholomew's Eve massacre in Paris during the 16th century; the third and fourth swing between Christ's day in Judea and a slum of to-day.

Food Conservation Notes

At almost every meeting held recently in Andover to study food conservation, the speaker has urged the large use of perishable foods in order that other commodities may be sent across the water to meet the fearful tragic needs of our allies.

The farmers tell us that the winter squash and pumpkin is not keeping well this year, probably due to injury by the early September frost. What can the Andover housewife do to prevent waste of this vegetable in the cellar? One enterprising woman has already commenced to dry in order to save. Our grandmothers used to do this with great success. Another thrifty housewife, who has usually kept the squash from the farm in storage until spring, distressed at the thought of waste, is canning to save.

An original recipe, "tried and true" for squash muffins, has been sent to the "Conservation Corner" this week.

SQUASH MUFFINS

1 cup of squash.
1 cup of corn meal.
1 cup of flour.
1 teasp. of salt.
3 rounding teasp. Baking Powder
1 tablesp. of sugar.
1 tablesp. of shortening.
1 egg and 1 cup of milk.
This is a delicious muffin, attractive in color and appearance, and offers one more way to use the left-over cup of squash, and has advantage of using corn meal and squash instead of wheat flour. Sugar may be omitted. The muffin may be used as dessert with syrup or honey.

The following sugar substitutes are listed in the Study Outline for Food Thrift Tens, just prepared, by Miss S. Agnes Donham, chairman of the Home Economics Committee of the Massachusetts State Federation of Women's Clubs.

1. Use honey and maple syrup for making cake, cookies, custards, frosting, pudding sauces, etc.
2. Use corn syrup for popcorn balls and for pudding sauces.
3. Try using granulated or crystallized honey for filling for cakes and sandwiches.
4. Use honey or maple syrup for sweetening baked apples.
5. Use half the usual amount of sugar, with honey or maple sugar to make up amount required.
6. Use prunes, soaked 12 hours, and cooked very slowly on the back of the stove, without sugar to sweeten cereal.
7. Use stewed raisins or sliced dates to sweeten muffins or cereal.
8. Use apple sauce, sweetened with maple syrup, instead of cream and sugar, on cereal.
9. Use maple honey as pudding sauce.

MAPLE HONEY RECIPE

To 1 cup of strained honey, add the juice of one lemon, and stir in very slowly 1 cup of maple syrup. Serve cold, or heated, without boiling.

After reading this list of substitutes, Andover women may be tempted to heed the following advice given in the November Food News Notes, sent to public libraries.

"Spend some time this winter in advising those of your acquaintance who have time—and flower gardens—to keep bees."

The Cornell Public Library bulletin-board has a notice of an important vacation conference for college women to be held in Boston on December 31, on the subject of the work of the Food Administration. Meetings will be held at Food Facts Bureau at 69 Bedford street, beginning at ten o'clock, and luncheon at Women's City Club at noon. Mrs. James J. Storrow will preside and noted speakers will be present.

LETTERS FROM LOCAL BOYS

The Townsman will publish from week to week, any letters received from the boys who are serving either in the United States Army or Navy.

PAUL CHENEY

Somewhere in France
Dec. 4, 1917

My dear Mr. Bigelow:—

I received your most welcome and cheering letter last Sunday, and was very glad to hear from you, as our mail comes only once in about two or three weeks.

Last Thanksgiving was observed by us as a holiday; and in the morning and afternoon sports were held in our regiment under the direction of the soldiers' best friend, Chaplain Stackpole.

Our Thanksgiving dinner was something "immense". We had everything that a fellow would have at home except a tablecloth and silverware. It was, I think, the first time that I hadn't eaten my Thanksgiving dinner with my own folks; and I couldn't help picturing myself at home with the folks. For the moment I had a feeling of homesickness; but it vanished as quickly as it came when I thought of poor France and her people. You don't realize how well off you are until you picture some one who is undergoing more hardship than yourself.

You asked me in your letter how I would like to be home on a Sunday passing the collection plate at church and knowing that I would have a good dinner to sit down to after service; well, you joy-killer, how would you like to wake up on a morning and find out that you were King M. d. s? Well, that's how I feel; but I am getting to be a thick-skulled crab so I don't feel horrid when I read that, or at least I tried not to.

We have been having pretty strenuous training lately, but we are not complaining as we all know that the better trained we are, the better chance we have of beating those cursed Boches. There isn't a fellow in camp, I don't believe, but what is anxious to go to the front.

I was in with a group of fellows lately who were discussing the war. One fellow said that he was anxious to get into action. Another spoke up, saying "You mean to say that you want to go to the front and get killed?" The first fellow shot this back at him, which is, I am sure, the general feeling of the true American boys here. This is what he said: "I am not going to the front to die, but to fight and to conquer the Germans." With such a spirit I guess the Germans will have a pretty tough time when they meet us.

All the Andover fellows are well and happy, and I am glad to say, are profiting by their home training. There are, as you know, many temptations thrown in our way, and for a fellow who hasn't had a good home training, it would be easy to yield to these temptations. However, by aside your fears for the Andover boys as we are holding our heads just as high as when we left Andover.

The Testaments that you spoke of haven't reached us as yet; but I imagine that they will be here in a day or two. I mentioned the fact to the boys about your sending the Testaments and they all seemed quite pleased that you were so thoughtful. I think it is a safe bet to say that the fellows are reading their Bibles much more than they did prior to entering the army.

It is beginning to get a little colder now; but we have got our horses now and, believe me, they are some lively. You can't be out long with your horse before you have a sweat-up.

It is pretty near time for taps, so I will close.

Sin "C.E." rely,

PAUL M. CHENEY

P. S. Remember me to all my acquaintances and the Endeavorers. Explain to them that our letters are limited and it is impossible for me to write to each one. However, if anyone cares to write I would enjoy very much hearing from them, as would any of the other Andover boys. We heard recently that Andover raised over a million dollars. Good for Andover! News like that shows that the people at home are still in back of us.

J. EVERETT COLLINS

Somewhere in France
Nov. 27, 1917

My dear Mother:—

Couldn't wait any longer to hear from you, so just had to content myself to writing you. Even though this letter won't be as long as usual, still, I know you will be happy to hear from me. "Dod" and I are both feeling exceedingly well. We are wondering if you all at home are still as well as ever. We both sincerely hope that you are all happy and as "alive" as ever. All the Andover boys are very well, and Joe Daley never looked so well; Joe seems full of "pep" and as bright and cheery as ever. Just today, at noon, Joe and I were eating "mess" together, talking of home and "Bartlett Street corner", commenting on when we would see you again, and all. He and "Dod" go around quite a bit together, and are keeping each other in good spirits by each others company. As we are situated now, I don't have very much of a chance to get around with "Dod", except when I visit him at night.

You will be interested to know that John Converse is in line for a lieutenancy which it is expected he shall receive some time in the near future. I am much pleased to know it, as John is an exceedingly fine boy, as you know. Andover is fortunate in having such a capable young fellow representing it.

Thanksgiving is here Thursday. I wrote you before about what ours might be like; here's wishing you a happy one. Wish we were home to attend the Firemen's Ball with you folks. We all sincerely hope that it is a success, as it is for a good cause. Good luck to Fred and his committee!

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Well, mother dear, this is about all I can write now. So you will have to be contented with these few words.

We have lost our "Too Sergeant", he having been made a lieutenant and has been transferred to another battery. Hoping for some mail soon, I will close.

Remaining your loving son,

EVERETT

Letter from Halifax

Truro, N. S.

December 8, 1917

Dear Mr. —

I am alive, and that's about all I can say. I was cut some with flying glass and an end of a beam fell on my shoulder, and a mirror from the wall hit my arm, otherwise O. K. It's impossible to describe things. No doubt your papers give you an idea. The Carlton Hotel is from one and one-half to two miles from where the munition ship was blown up. The first shock wasn't so bad, some glass was broken, but the concussion came just a few seconds afterwards, and the walls and ceilings and floor rocked and reeled and rolled like leaves in a gale, and it's conservative to say that every seven out of ten were injured, chiefly from flying glass, as it hailed and poured glass from every direction. In the north end of the city, nearer the wreck, is where the worst was done, and where hundreds and hundreds were killed by falling houses. There isn't a boat in the harbor but is damaged. Some with smoke stacks off, and some beached; one patrol boat was lost. It seems a Belgian relief boat lost control and rammed the munition boat. I've heard fully twenty different theories—some have it that it was a German plot. It will take weeks to find out. It occurred at 9:06; the city hall clock stopped at that time, and everyone rushed out bleeding and yelling. Children and women crying and fainting. There has been a great deal of fear from air raids in Halifax, and we all thought at first that's what it was.

You can get an idea of its force when I say that I went down to North Street Station and telegraph poles were snapped off about twelve or fifteen feet from the ground, and fully twenty inches in diameter. Arms, legs, and heads were in the streets, and horses dead, and scores of hats. In some cases clothes were half torn from people and the people otherwise uninjured. The coal on the boat was blown into powder and high in the air, also water, and hundreds of people are soaked and black with the coal dust and water.

There's every conceivable sort of wound from one scratch to dozens of peoples' faces. I could write a whole day and tell but little. The killed were taken on drags and wagons and coal carts to the morgue, piled high like rows of fish, and the wounded were taken in autos and Red Cross wagons to hospitals. One hundred and fifty wounded were sent here, and three hundred more are coming. The court house here, and central school, fire hall, and agricultural college, have been turned into hospitals and Red Cross workers are looking after everything. Other trains of wounded were sent to other places. Trains from Boston passed through here to-day with doctors, nurses, and medical supplies.

Everything was in such a horrible

condition that to secure business was unheard of and impossible. Several of us travellers talked it over and decided we were only in the way, and Red Cross people said we could do nothing. What they needed was doctors to remove glass from eyes and see parts of bodies, and so we thought we would come here. Went three miles into the country where a train was being made up, and waited six hours in a dark place at a junction for a train. The trains couldn't come and depart at the city station as it was wrecked; five were killed there. There wasn't a window left in any car, and some lamps were shaken from the ceiling in cars.

Truro is sixty-two miles away and several windows are broken here. Antigonish is 146 miles away and it was felt there, for some people phoned to New Glasgow coal mines and asked if a coal mine had exploded.

Several New York reporters are here and two took the story from me, and wanted to pay me. I wouldn't think of it. All the buildings in business sections are standing, also residence sections of the South side, but all windows are gone. It's safe to say there are not ten windows, and not one store front intact in Halifax. The snow and cold have made the misery worse. Thursday afternoon from two to five, one could hear hundreds of hammers—people nailing up boards to their store and home windows, and wagons and men and boys could be seen carrying and hauling lumber and a tarpaper.

It will take weeks, or maybe two months for Halifax to get under way again. What everyone needs is glass, chiefly. Nothing but chaos and broken glass, everywhere. I never knew broken glass could do so much damage.

In five seconds the Kaiser and his War turned a peaceful, hustling and busy city, where God's own creatures dwelt together in amity, into a raging and wounded hell.

Sincerely,

E. C. COLLINS

Letter from the Front

The following is an extract from a letter written by a young man in the Worcester Battery, to his mother:

"I went to church yesterday as usual and there was a very good sermon by Chaplain Stackpole. I am now singing in the choir that I helped form. Chaplain Stackpole is doing a great work among the boys of this regiment."

"The army, you see, isn't the worst thing that could happen to a young fellow, and his morals need not suffer any if he cares to keep up a good standard. As for me, I have bettered mine in many ways. Remember how I used to hate to get up in the morning to go to church. Now it is different. I even hustle my work so that I will not miss it, and I always have a front seat. I have also learned to say a little prayer each night, a thing that I haven't done since I was a boy of five years, that I can remember."

"Of course, we have many new and strange temptations, but we also learn not to yield so easily to these, and our will grows stronger day by day. I will close now, wishing you all a Merry Christmas and a happy new year."

DAVID.

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NEWS OF OUR NEIGHBORS

NORTH ANDOVER

Miss Beatrice Poisson of Pawtucket, R. I., is visiting Arthur Bernard of 115 Main street.

John Hammond of Railroad avenue is visiting his former home in North Shipleigh, Me.

Miss Esther Boyce of Boston is spending the holidays at her parents' home in the Farnham district.

Miss Harriet Bixby of Pleasant street is visiting her sister, Miss Madeline Bixby of Bridgeport, Conn.

The sewing department of the Red Cross rooms was reopened Wednesday and many workers attended.

Mr. and Mrs. William Hayman of Akron, O., former residents, are visiting David Jackson of Park street.

Garrison Holt, who recently enlisted in the coast reserves, is stationed at Fort Andrews, Boston Harbor.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis L. Hager of North Dana are visiting Mrs. Hager's parents, Rev. and Mrs. Putnam Webber.

Miss Dorothy Houghton, teacher in the New Bedford High School, is spending a vacation at her home on Davis street.

Miss Daisy Driver, teacher in the public schools of Brockton, is spending the vacation at her home on Osgood street.

Mr. and Mrs. Eldredge and child are visiting Mrs. Eldredge's parents, Comrade and Mrs. Eugene Houghton, of Davis street.

Francis Bannon, who holds a responsible government position at Frankford, Pa., spent the holiday at his home on Court street.

The local schools will not be reopened until Monday, January 7. The recess is extended so as to conserve the diminishing coal supply.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Franklyn King, 3d, of Baltimore, Md., are visiting Mr. King's parents, Atty. and Mrs. King, on Marlborough street.

Miss Bertha Wilde, teacher of drawing, and Miss Bessie Murray, teacher in the public schools of Wolfeboro, N. H., are at home here for the vacation.

John Carroll of Niagara University, N. Y., is home for the holidays. He is recovering from an injury he sustained in a football game on Thanksgiving Day.

Angeline and Rita, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Octave Boulanger of Saunders street, who attend a convent in Manchester, N. H., are home for the holidays.

Max Black of Beverly street, is chairman of the committee in charge of the concert and ball in city hall, Lawrence, January 17, by the Newsboys' Association.

The meeting of the Benevolent Society of the Congregational church, set for Wednesday was postponed to January 1, at the home of Mrs. L. H. Downing, 45 Elm street.

Herbert E. McQuestion, proprietor of the Central Market, has been appointed Merchants' Food Administrator in No. Andover. He will be the government representative in the food conservation plan.

Mr. and Mrs. Kay, Mr. J. Thurton and the Misses Ellen and Sarah Turton of Massachusetts avenue left Wednesday for Florida, where they are to make their home. Mr. Turton will engage in orange growing.

Miss Evelyn Gibson, a student at Mt. Holyoke college, who is spending her vacation at her home on Elm street, attended recitations in Williston Hall, the college building recently destroyed by fire, but fortunately lost none of her property.

The funeral of Mrs. James A. Roache was held at the late home, 77 Pleasant street, Monday at 2 o'clock. Services were conducted by Rev. John L. Keedy of the Congregational church. Burial was in Ridgeood cemetery. Mrs. Roache was a native of Scotland but was a pioneer resident here.

Frank A. Mackie, tax collector and an ex-fire engineer, was tendered a pleasant surprise recently in honor of his marriage. A party of his intimate friends presented him with a handsome Morris chair. Engineer Edward Costello made the presentation and Mr. Mackie replied. There was a social and entertainment.

A pleasant family gathering was held with Mrs. Jane Rand, Water street, Christmas Day. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Fielding and family of Pittsfield; Mr. and Mrs. Rich and family of Dorchester; Mr. and Mrs. Joseph A. Rand of Andover; and Mr. and Mrs. George Wooley and family and Mr. and Mrs. George Rand of this town.

METHUEN

Miss Marcia Hill, student at Mt. Holyoke college, is at home on Gage street.

John C. Laing, who was injured in the Acadia mills a few weeks ago is improving.

Irving M. Archibald of Central street is on a business trip through the middle western states.

Lawrence A. Remick of Lowell street, entertained his father, from Kittery, Me., Christmas day.

Miss Ruth Buswell, a student at Smith college, is spending the holidays at her home on Central street.

Miss Mary B. Hines, supervisor of art in the public schools is spending the holidays at her home in Danvers.

Miss Gertrude Glavin, a teacher in Cambridge, is spending the holidays at the home of her mother in this town.

Mrs. W. J. Nichols of Gage street has returned to her home in this town after an extended visit in Keene, N. H.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Kreeley of Pawtucket, R. I., have been visiting with friends in this town for the past few days.

Hugh Doran, now in the manufacturing business in Yarmouth, Me., spent the holidays at the home of relatives in this town.

Miss Arline M. Goodwin, a teacher in the public schools in Peabody is spending the holidays at her home on Gleason street.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Rich of Dorchester, spent the holiday with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel E. Orr, on East street.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl B. Henderson of Philadelphia, Pa., formerly of this town, have been spending the past few days with friends in this town.

Seaver Gilcrest, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter L. S. Gilcrest of Broadway, is spending the holidays at his home in town. He is a student at Tufts college.

First Lieutenant Howard Jenkins, stationed at Camp Devens, spent the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Jenkins, at their home on Central street.

Rev. C. H. Oliphant, pastor emeritus of the Congregational church, and family, who have been at their home in Maine for several weeks, spent Christmas here.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence A. Peirce of New Haven, Conn., have been visiting at the home of the former's mother, Mrs. James Peirce, on Pleasant street, for the past few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. Macdonald of Chelmsford street, announce the engagement of their daughter, Alice F., to Horace M. Lawrence of La Touche Alaska, formerly of Lawrence.

The total amount collected here for the Massachusetts-Halifax relief fund was \$2,532.06 which sum has been sent by the local treasurer, David D. Woodbury, to headquarters in Boston.

The story of "The Shepherd Who Did Not Go," was most interestingly told by Rev. A. Gertrude Earle of Gleason Memorial church, Sunday morning. Solos were rendered by Miss Lydia Morrall.

The members elect of the new city government were called together by Mayor-elect Samuel Rushton, in the selectmen's office, Thursday night, for a conference on plans for inauguration, January 7. It is possible that the first ceremonies may be held in Nevins Memorial hall.

Chief of the fire department, George A. Dudley, expects the new fire truck for the east part of the town to arrive in town soon. The house is all ready for the machine, but on account of the war conditions the company has not been able to make as early delivery on the truck as was anticipated.

Rev. Ernest C. Davis gave an interpretation of the story, "Zia, the Hunchback." Sunday night, at the Forest Street Union church, and the cantata "The Star of Bethlehem" was sung by the choir, with solos by A. P. Whiton, Miss Hazel Chicken, Mrs. Dana Bragdon, Miss Florence Smith and Miss Vera Bennett. Miss Edith Davis was the organist.

The sessions of the night schools in this city have been suspended indefinitely, according to the announcement of Supt. of Schools, Edwin L. Haynes. This action was taken on account of the possibility of no transportation nights, and for the conservation of coal. The schools closed last week for Christmas recess and when they will re-open cannot be told, but if conditions improve, which seems improbable, they may be reopened in the course of a week or two.

Elmer G. Bailey, who died Tuesday night in Salem, N. H., was married to Miss Abbie W. Fogg of this city, who, with several children, survives him. He was nearly sixty-three years old, and was born in Windham. The funeral was held yesterday, and burial was in Windham, N. H. A pathetic incident in connection with the death is the fact that Mrs. Bailey's mother, Mrs. Harriet N. Fogg, died Monday at the Nevins Home for the Aged and the funeral was held Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. Bailey has the sympathy of the community in her sorrowful bereavement.

LAWRENCE

George Murphy of the Fifth Regt. Drum corps is at home from Camp Greene, Charlotte, N. C., on a 10 days' furlough.

Private William Hopkins of Camp Devens, spent the Christmas holiday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Hopkins of Buxford street.

Rev. William J. McCormick, pastor of St. Augustine's church on Water street, was presented with an elegant fur coat, gloves and hat Sunday morning, by the members of the parish.

Mayor Hurley received an invitation Wednesday from Gov. Samuel W. McColl to attend the inauguration exercises at the State House on Thursday, January 3, at 12 noon. The mayor will attend.

Word has been received by Librarian Walsh from the free public library commission that non-fiction and current magazines (not over a month old) may be shipped directly to Camp Devens by him.

A large beam fell on Edward Rheame of 80 S. Lester street and George Rogers, while they were at work in the old Atlantic mill for Contractor L. E. Locke, Saturday afternoon, and both were badly injured.

John Klinger of 47 Ferry street, who was appointed and confirmed a Republican member of the board of registrars of voters at the city council meeting Monday, appeared before City Clerk Wade Wednesday and qualified for the place.

David Archibald, a former well-known employee of the Wood mill, but now a member of a "Kiltie" regiment of the Canadian forces, is enjoying a short furlough here. He is one of several members of the Lawrence British club serving this country and England.

It is worthy of note that the employees of the spinning, winding and twisting departments of the Acadia mill, through their overseer Robert Hill, have contributed regularly to the support of the Lawrence branch, A. R. C., since last April. The total amounts to \$275.49.

Lawrence telephone operators in common with the operators in several of the exchanges outside Boston were given a Christmas present in the form of a wage increase, but it is not, it is understood, acceptable to many of the operators. The increase went into effect Monday.

The funeral of Private John Ravich, of 101 Alder street, who died at Fort Slocum was held at 12.30 o'clock Monday. The body was escorted to the grave by a detail from Co. I, Mass. State Guard, under Capt. James E. Connors. Interment was in the Sons of Israel cemetery.

Augustine McQuade, clerk at Forrester's drug store, was presented with an elegant wrist watch Saturday night by the other clerks at the store. McQuade enlisted two weeks ago in the Naval Reserves and last week he received orders to report for duty at the Charleston navy yard. He is a son of Owen F. McQuade, of 150 Saratoga street.

Sunday night some cars in the yard at South Lawrence were broken into and a large quantity of cornflakes were stolen. Last week some cars were also broken into and 200 pounds of sugar were stolen. Coal cars have also received much attention from the thieves, and many of the dealers have reported large losses.

The office force of the Arlington mill were presented with a bonus Monday by the mill management in appreciation for the efficient service rendered the mill during the past year. The amounts of the bonus varied according to the relative values of the services of the employees. Most of the bonuses are understood to have been in the neighborhood of \$10.

Rev. Donald H. Gerrish, pastor of Central church, was presented with a purse of gold at the Christmas tree celebration Monday evening from "A Host of Friends in the Parish." Mr. Gerrish was taken completely by surprise by the gift. He leaves shortly for France for Y.M.C.A. work. Preceding the Christmas tree observance, an entertainment was given by Pitt Parker of Boston, a clever and decidedly interesting cartoonist.

Arthur Briggs, of 23 Berkeley street, an employee of the Texas Oil company in North Andover, met with a peculiar accident about 7 o'clock Monday morning. He was cranking an auto in front of the plant when it "kicked" throwing him against the building and causing him to sustain a fracture of the left leg. The South Lawrence ambulance was summoned and Briggs was removed to the general hospital for medical treatment.

Local State Guardsmen will not be called for duty at the Boston water front. The two companies, Revere and Winthrop, which went on guard Friday, have been relieved by Coast Artillerymen who will remain until the New Federal Guard is ready for duty. Many local guardsmen were hoping to get a chance to serve at Boston for the experience which it would give. Their duties now will be simply for emergency calls, as riots or big fires. The drills will go on just the same as inspection by State Officers is coming soon.

OUR WASHINGTON LETTER

What an Andover Man Sees at the Nation's Capitol.

(Special Correspondence to the Townsman.)

Washington, D. C., Dec. 27, 1917.—The holiday season at hand finds Washington merry after a fashion, but the words of cheer to the boys across the seas and in the camps, both land and sea, are all so primed that they make the heart feel far differently than of yore. The stern reality of war is now firmly upon the nation and its people and here at this season it is now recognized that war is just what the world means. The day passed quietly, with more services of a religious nature than usual. Though the Congress is in recess the various committees are busy, taking only the one day off for respite. Congress comes in on the third of January and at that time business will start up in good fashion. There are many important measures on the docket and the war program is now being mapped out by the leaders.

The uncertainty of life is ever present as was the sudden death of Senator Newlands of Nevada on Christmas Eve. The Senator from Nevada was chairman of the important committee on Interstate Commerce and had to do with the transportation problems. Of late the Senator had been at work many hours a day on the railroad problem and the coming work in this connection had demanded his time and best efforts. Within five hours of the hour of his death he had been talking with the White House over railroad matters in connection with the message the President plans to address the Congress next week. He was in close touch with the President on all railroad matters and his sudden death comes as a great shock not only to his colleagues but to the President. It was an added sadness to the holiday here.

Mr. Newlands had labored hard and long on the many problems of vital importance to his country and he is removed at a time when he was in his prime, so to speak. He was a man of wealth, though he gave his all to his duties here, and his last days were all devoted to working out a problem that meant so much to the nation in this time of stress and war. It is rather strange that a former Senator of Nevada, the Hon. George S. Nixon, died suddenly while in office, and now his colleague for many years has passed away just as suddenly. Congress can ill afford to lose its leaders at this time, for each man of trained legislative experience has a calling never as important as at this period in our country's history. It is but another cost of the war.

The investigations now before Congressional committees as to the conduct of the war are bringing to light many methods that are not at all in keeping with war time conditions. Thus far it has been shown that red tape and clerical delays as to big things are the outgrowth of ancient methods and all of this must be cleaned away even if some men and reputations must go along with the sweeping. Winning the war at the earliest moment is far more important than a head or a dozen heads of bureaus or departments. Thus far it is clear that the Congress will make some radical changes over present systems of dealing with war methods and these will be brought into being shortly. There is no question but that the war work is greatly muddled. Too many bureaus have been working at cross purposes. Heads of departments attempted to do things with which they were unfamiliar. Confusion has been the result and now the nation is paying for the delay. Something will be done to correct all of these evils. Red tape will be slashed from now on.

Another prohibition question has appeared. It all comes from the reports that General Pershing has allowed the soldiers in France under his command to indulge in light wine and beer. The leaders of the temperance forces here say they will take it to Congress and endeavor to secure the passage of a law preventing an American soldier anywhere in the service from using liquor in any form. Secretary of War Baker says that he understands it the order of General Pershing is that it prohibits any soldier to use whiskey, brandy or other strong liquors, thus leaving them free to indulge in beer and light wines if they so desire. Soldiers in this country cannot use liquors at all, and the law now on the statute books has no extra-territorial effect. It is a fact that Congress cannot prevent persons in France from selling liquor to men in uniform. The opinion seems to be current here in official quarters that General Pershing is able to treat this question as it should be treated. His interest in the soldiers is uppermost and it is safe to say that he would issue no order but for the good of the men themselves. He should be able to judge conditions better than men here and it may be safely said that General Pershing will act for the best interests of his men and his country. The commanding officer must have some authority over his men. He knows what is best needed for their comfort. It will be recalled that there are many well meaning people who advocate depriving the soldiers of tobacco on the ground that it is injurious to them. The commander of any body of men in the field knows full well that such action would be cruel and would rob the soldiers of one of their greatest pleasures and joys. It all can be summed up in a word, that the officer in command of our forces can be trusted to act for both men and his country. If he is not capable to exercise the best judgment then he is not the man to command.

Contentment. That is a word of frequent expression these days. How is it pronounced? It is a free and easy word for us all, and many of us have a pronounced contentment for it all of our own. It is said that about half of the military and civil officials call it "can-tone-ment,"

with the accent on the second syll. b. e. President Wilson says "can-ton-ment," accenting the first syll. b. e. Some even call it "can-ton-ment," accenting the second syll. b. e. So we have three pronunciations right here that are heard of all the time. Then there is another way of saying it, "can-ton-ment," as it comes to us from the British use of the word in military circles. Just get your dictionary and see for yourself. And then there are many who say just camp and encampment and it means the same.

W. M. STUART

Red Cross and Clara Barton

The natal day of the World's Redeemer recalled the birthday of the heroine of the American Red Cross Society. In the effort to make the Christmas season a special Red Cross campaign of sympathy and service, it might be well to turn in loving and tender memory to Clara Barton, suggestively called "God's Christmas Angel" and "God's Christmas Gift to America."

Ninety-six years ago, the little town of Oxford, Mass., was honored by the birth of a child, whose influence was to spread over the greater part of the world, and by whose efforts a light was to be kindled that was destined to brighten many lives and homes.

As the child grew into girlhood, she became more and more like the Master, on whose birthday she came to grace the world: Conscience was for her a guiding star, and for any little disobedience she would say, "God will punish me awfully for this." And conscience was to Clara Barton "God in the human soul."

As Miss Barton grew to girlhood she never lost from her mind the ideal life of the Master in helping and comforting the sorrowing, correcting the wayward, upholding the right. When she became a teacher she ever impressed these thoughts upon her pupils.

Interest is revived in the life work of Clara Barton at this Red Cross Christmas, because she is known to many as the Mother of the American Red Cross. Many may not be aware of the fact that the Red Cross had its origin in Switzerland, in 1864. The real inception of its work and methods arose after the battle of Solferino, in 1859. This cruel battle lasted for sixteen hours, and so frightful was the slaughter of the soldiers on both sides, and so shameful was the neglect of the dead and wounded that disease spread from the putrefaction of the bodies left on the field of battle during the hot summer sun. The story of the battle written by Henri Durant awakened the Swiss authorities and people, and steps were undertaken in 1864 to prevent such neglect of the dead and wounded soldiers.

In 1881 through the persistent efforts of Clara Barton, assisted by James G. Blaine, the society was introduced into the United States, and from that time until after the Spanish American war in 1898, the society was financed, fostered, and kept alive by the unflinching efforts and devotion of this noble woman.

The United States was the thirteenth nation to adopt the organization and it was twenty years after its birth in Switzerland, that this country joined hands with the other thirty-one nations in the work of sympathy.

As we follow the striking history of this remarkable woman, we find her working for the soldiers in the Civil War, before she succeeded in having the Society recognized by the Government. So wonderful was her influence and so charmed was her life that she was called by soldiers, both of the Blue and the Grey, "The angel of the Battlefield."

At Antietam, Cedar Mountain, Charlestown, Morris Island, Petersburg, Richmond, and the battle of the Wilderness, she offered the cup of water to the parched lips and many times came the blessing from dying lips. Can it ever be blotted from the history of the Red Cross, that at the Second Battle of Bull Run, when all the nurses fled, Clara Barton remained at her post of duty and ministered to dying officers and private soldier alike.

In Europe during the Franco-Prussian war of 1870-71, she so distinguished herself that Emperor William decorated her with the Iron Cross. During 1896, in Armenia, she labored and was permitted to pass unharmed, from place to place, when others were refused entrance to the country.

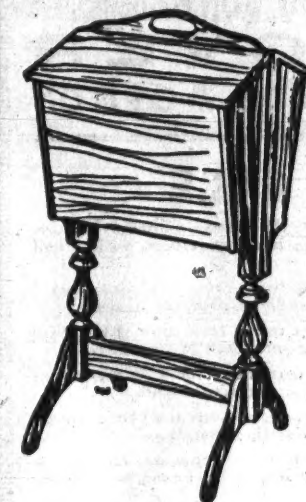
In scenes of distress and disaster in later American history, she was present to minister and guide all efforts. At the Johnston Flood, in Galveston at the time of the tidal wave, and in Cuba and Porto Rico at seventy-seven years of age, she did not fail in works of love and mercy. On all occasions she was the recipient of the highest honor possible to any person, mainly, the blessing of the relieved, "for inasmuch as ye have done it unto the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me."

At this time of world-wide distress and calamity, when so much carnage of human blood and life is seen, the spirit of Clara Barton is needed.

Two rules marked the life of this magnanimous woman: "Unconcern for what you cannot help" and "Control under pressure." And many times she said, "I have never kept a birthday or thought of one, only as reminded by others. We are as young as we feel."

She died April 16, 1917, at the age of ninety years, and was buried without any pomp in her childhood home in Oxford. As her life is recalled at this Christmas season, may her devotion to the distressed, and her sympathy, touch all to aid the society she labored so hard to promote, and which is doing so much at the present time. Well may she be called the "Red Cross Christmas Angel."

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Andover and Lawrence cars run every half hour on the quarter before and quarter after the hour up to 11.45 a.m. Then on 15-minute-time until 11.45 p.m.

New line to Wilson's Corner, via Elm Square, Andover. Starting at 11.45 a.m. each Andover car on the quarter before the hour to go over this route. Residents of Andover will lose one car an hour as the result of new line. The first car from Boston is due in Andover at 5.45 a.m.

Since I have lived in the Draper alias Burns Building, about thirty years now, we have had one death—that of the little Rice child with a funeral service in the house; one birth, only little Margaret Chevelia, whose father is now at the front somewhere in France, with the father of the Rice babe—and on November 16, we had the first wedding party ride away in an automobile to Lawrence, where at St. Lawrence church the pair were married by Father Reagan. Miss Hickie at work on War Supplies at Smith and Dove is the aunt of the bride—Miss Elizabeth Melz, the groom, of German stock. They met as employees at Stevens Mills in Marlborough. The bride's short residence with us won friends who wish Andover instead of Lawrence was to have the new home, though Mr. Fitz remains at Stevens.

C. H. A.

Adding to their "Bit"

The children of John Dove School are continuing their loyalty and generosity in contributing to the various objects during the present crisis. This week the report comes that the little ones have collected over \$75 from the sale of Red Cross Christmas seals and the following classes have become members of the Red Cross: Miss Downes, Grade V; Miss Coutts, Grade V; Miss Hannon, Grade IV; Miss Waterhouse, Grade III; Miss Chase, Grade II; Miss Provost, Grade I.



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Now for Government Railroads

The action of the President in taking over the railroads has been foreshadowed for several weeks in the Washington despatches. It is interesting to note the varying feelings of the public in connection with the announcement that fills the daily press. The average man or woman in the street, hails it with delight and believes that the millennium has at last come in the United States, that rides are to be free, service is to be constant, and joy in transportation unconfined henceforth. The investor looks upon the announcement with some trepidation, but has the firm conviction that nothing could be worse for the man who has put his money into public service than conditions for the past few years. The railroad operator knows that he has been doing his best, that it is possible that this new co-operation and co-ordination may be worked out more effectively, and hence he sees some relief in the present action.

Undoubtedly there is some truth in each of these viewpoints, but let no one suppose that in the adjustment of all of them we are to get free from an increased burden upon the public whatever form that burden may take. It is quite possible that by a system of juggling in which the federal government is a past master as proven by its methods in controlling the postoffice department, railroad rates may be maintained at the present scale, and improved service provided, but somewhere hidden in the financial acts of the federal congress there will be provided the money necessary to make up the positive deficit that will be created in this way. We won't be able to get more than a dollar's worth for our dollar wherever we spend it, and thus far nobody has ever been able to find where the government got as much for its dollar as did the private party carrying on a similar service.

As a war measure it is probable there was nothing left through which the Federal government could work out even a partial efficiency in our national transportation system except to do as it has done and exercise a control over all of the railroads. The government alone has the power to give a positive order to any agency, irrespective of local demands that may be ordinarily placed upon that agency. Exercised in connection with the great national demands that now exist, a genuine co-operation can thus be worked out. We certainly ought to have improved conditions under this latest move in so far as war service is concerned. No man who has studied the development of the public service in the United States under our so-called pure democracy, has any evidence that as a permanent proposition, any business whether it be railroading or selling junk, can be as efficiently performed by the government as it can by the natural agencies who may have developed it, who have been brought up with it, and who apply to it the trained mind tuned by individual characteristics to its solution.

Little Coal and Poor At That

Somebody has written to one of the Boston newspapers within a day or two, a very pertinent communication dealing with the coal situation from a new standpoint, or rather a standpoint that is new as far as discussion is concerned. This writer calls attention, not to the scarcity of coal but to the fact that much of the coal that we are getting is of a very inferior coal, indicating that coal operators are shipping practically anything they please for local consumption and the public is obliged to take it or go without altogether.

This situation is, unfortunately, altogether too true, as anybody who shovels coal will testify, for we are not only burning in our furnaces many more pounds of coal than we had ever been in the habit of burning, but we are securing from this constant feeding less heat efficiently than ever before experienced, proving the truth of this writer's contention.

The writer goes still further and calls attention to the fact that if this inferior quality represents a waste product of ten per cent, that ten per cent represents a burden upon the railroads for transportation, and upon all the service for handling, amounting to very serious proportions in the present critical condition of railroad and steamship transportation. It is a pretty tough situation confronting New England in particular, even if this latter situation didn't exist, but when added to that fact we find that from ten to twenty per cent of our coal received has no other mission than to clog the grades and burden all of the handling processes unnecessarily, we may very properly urge some relief.

The public at large is doing a lot to save coal. Hardly a household that any reader can name is failing to demand a lessened consumption or a substitute of other forms of heat to help in the appeal to do everything possible to relieve the acute situation. Notwithstanding all of these efforts, the situation apparently grows worse rather than better and whatever may have been the striving for the past two months to keep up with the situation, it is a long way from solution with the winter hardly more than just begun. This means continued watching of the coal bin, continued conservation of the heat energy, crowding people a little closer together, and use of every possible means to make still greater savings.

Editorial Cinders

Again Andover "went across" with a rush and a drive, and nearly half the population of the town is now enrolled in the local branch of the Red Cross. Fine as this is from the standpoint of money contributed, it is of double value in the newly aroused interest in the work of this splendid organization. Instead of three hundred we have three thousand people who are tied by their membership to broader sympathy and deeper interest in the work which is contributing more to make the world one than is being contributed by any other world institution. The local committee deserves every bit of enthusiastic praise which those who have observed their work rejoice in giving to them. The work in Andover had splendid leadership and because of that leadership brought forth almost immediate response.

The Christmas holidays were different in many respects this year. It might be a little difficult to describe all the ways in which this change was to be noticed but one only needed to go along the Main street of the town and observe the lessened number of Christmas decorations, and the almost universal substitution of the little Red Cross sign for the Christmas greens, to become aware that a new spirit was in control of this year's anniversary. The giving had the flavor of the Red Cross rather than the appeal of the child's stocking, by the use of that particular emblem rather than through the use of garlands and festoons. This was well, for it won't hurt us any to cut things a little closer, to get a little different view of what is right and what is wrong in the nature of sacrifice, and to approach not only the Christmas holiday but the life from day to day with a willingness to cut out a lot of prodigality with which we have approached the thousand and one things that come into life. The gift making of necessity followed along that same line, and the simple gifts that carried a message either of a desire to help in providing something that could be classed as a necessity, or a sentiment evidencing remembrances and regard, were practically all selected in the average shopping tour. Again this was well, and while some businesses undoubtedly suffered, the response to this sort of an appeal gave to many other businesses new opportunities to serve the people.

Christmas Tree Held by Pythian Sisters

Garfield Hall was the scene of a Christmas Tree and entertainment Saturday evening, held by the Pythian Sisters, for the children of the members of Garfield Lodge, K. of P.

Many attended and a well laden Christmas tree was attractively decorated and Thomas Neil made a wonderful Santa Claus. Every child received a present and also a bag of candy and an orange. Refreshments were served.

At the entertainment piano solos were rendered by Thomas Gorrie and carols were sung by the children. The committee in charge: Grace York, Mrs. Annie Davis, Mrs. Annie Low, Mrs. Isabel Eagle and Mrs. Helen Gouck.

Harmony Quartet Concert

The Harmony Double Quartet will give a concert in town hall, Tuesday night, January 15, for local boys in service and an excellent program of vocal and instrumental music, readings, and dances, will be given.

Those who will take part: Double quartet: Miss Hester Newman, Miss Mabel Marshall, sopranos; Mrs. Fred A. Wallace, Mrs. Mary S. Jackson, altos; A. B. Darling, Arthur W. Bassett, tenors; Dr. A. E. Hulme, Alfred Robb, basses; readings by Miss Elizabeth Loftus; accompanist, Mrs. W. Dudley Yates. Carl F. Pfattheicher will direct.

Tickets are now on sale at the Metropolitan and the Andover Bookstore.

CHRISTMAS CONCERTS

Annual Christmas Sunday School
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The Christmas Sunday School concerts and entertainments were held by all the churches of the town as usual. St. Augustine's church had the regular services on Christmas Day. Christ church held Holy Communion service at 7.30, 9.00 and 10.30 a.m. The Baptist, Free and West church Sunday Schools held concerts and entertainments on Christmas eve. The South church held a Christmas exercise at 3.00 p.m. Thursday for the Primary Department, and at 7.15 p.m. the Christmas entertainment took place. A drama was enacted and the usual Christmas Tree program was carried out.

The programs carried out in the different churches were as follows:

FREE CHURCH

A large attendance was present to enjoy the annual Christmas entertainment of the Sunday School in the parish house, Christmas eve.

The Junior choir sang two carols: "It came upon the midnight clear" and "Silent night, Holy night." A Christmas cantata entitled "The Puppet Princess" was presented. The usual distribution of candy and fruit was omitted on account of the conservation for the war. Committee in charge were the following: Miss Helen Swanton, Miss Gladys Higgins, Miss Lucy Allen, Lewis Paine and James P. Christie.

The cast of characters was as follows:

Princesses: Jimmie Walker, Allan Buttrick, Helen Donald, Raymond Schlapp, Cousins: Martha Buttrick, Marie McGrath, Gordon Counts

Goody: Beatrice Goff
Beggar Girl: Isabelle Caldwell
Old Lady: Margaret May
Goblin: Helen Scannell
Hans: John Caldwell
Gretzel: Helen Otis
Porter: Henry Otis
Witch: Helen Higgins
Santa Claus: Milo H. Gould

CHRIST CHURCH

The annual Christmas services of the Sunday School of Christ church were held Christmas eve. The classes assembled in the parish house and marched into the church, singing "O Little Town of Bethlehem." Christmas hymns and carols were sung by the school. Rev. C. W. Henry made an address to the school. Baskets filled with food and gifts for the poor families of the parish were arranged by the classes. At the close of the service the classes returned to the parish house where bags of candy were distributed.

The program was as follows:

Processional—Hymn 58, "O Little Town of Bethlehem"
Carol—Good Christian Men Rejoice
Lesson Reading
Carol—Come, Maidens Fair, Come Strew His Way
Lesson Reading
Carol—The Christmas Tree
Prayer
Carol—Away in a Manger
Carol—We Three Kings of Orient Are
Address to Children: Rev. C. W. Henry
Responsive Reading—Christmas Catechism
Presentation of Offerings
Doxology
Carol—Silent Night, Holy Night
Prayer and Benediction
Recessional Hymn—It Came upon the Midnight Clear

BAPTIST CHURCH

The Christmas entertainment of the Baptist Sunday school was held Christmas eve. A supper was served for the children at 6.30 in the vestry. A program was presented and each class participated. The pastor, Rev. E. H. Prescott, gave an appropriate talk to the children. After the entertainment the annual distribution of presents and candy was made.

The program was as follows:

Christmas Address to Children: Rev. E. H. Prescott
Song: "To the Aid of the Allies" Primary Department
Malcolm Lundgren, Collector for Red Cross
Musical and Dramatic Selection in Costume
Philathea Class
"War", represented by: Mrs. John Bacon
War Victims represented as follows:
Armenia: Miss Elizabeth Woodburn
Serbia: Miss Amy Lundgren
Belgium: Mrs. Geo. F. Peck
Columbia: Mrs. Mary S. Jackson
Britannia: Mrs. E. H. Prescott
Red Cross Nurse: Miss Jennie Wertzberg
Presentation of Gift to Red Cross Nurse
Men's Class, by President Claire Norton
Red Cross Nurse: Mrs. E. H. Prescott
Wounded Soldier: Raymond Wilson
Singing of Patriotic Selections
Mrs. Piddington's Class, members dressed as soldiers and sailors
"To the Aid of the Allies" Charles Stone's Class
Presentation of Gift
Presentation of Offerings
Mr. Caldwell's Class, Mr. Norcott's Class
Miss Eaton's Class, Mr. Wilbur's Class
Mrs. Woodburn's Class, Miss Lena Lundgren's Class
Reading—Selected
Presentation to the Church of the Charter of Incorporation from the Commonwealth
Rev. E. H. Prescott
"At our Country's and Master's Service"
Robert Williams' Class of Boys
Commander: Robert Williams
Bugler and Captain of Infantry
Knowlton Stone
Seldon Billington
Captain of Marines: "Old Glory"
Color Bearer: "Old Glory"
Color Bearer: "Christian Banner"
Arthur Philbrick
Statue of Liberty: Mrs. Mary S. Jackson

SOUTH CHURCH

The Primary department of the Sunday School met Thursday afternoon for their annual Christmas party. Games were played and gifts were distributed. Mrs. Bushnell was in charge.

At 7.15 p.m. the annual Christmas entertainment was held for the Sunday School. A play entitled "The Birds' Christmas Carol" by Kate Douglas Wiggin, was presented and was under the direction of Miss Mabel Marshall.

A Christmas Tree laden with many suitable presents was enjoyed by old as well as young, and interesting Christ-

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Obituary

MRS. CATHERINE ROBERTSON

Mrs. Catherine Robertson died at her home, 16 Brook street, Andover, on Tuesday morning, December 11. She had been a resident of Andover for thirty years.

Funeral services were held Thursday morning at St. Augustine's Church and interment was in family lot at St. Augustine's Cemetery, Andover.

A daughter, Jeannie, and two sons, David and John, survive.

Thanks of Andover Comfort Committee

Through the columns of the Townsman the Andover Comfort Committee wishes to thank the Fire Department for the gift of \$201.75 which was the net proceeds of their annual ball, and also all those who made the ball a success. The Comfort Committee sent 213 packages for which acknowledgments have been received from the boys across. The boys send grateful acknowledgments to the Comfort Committee and to all Andover people who helped in any way to make their Christmas a happy one.

Andover Mothers' Club Notice

On account of the closing of the public schools the monthly meeting of the Andover Mothers' club will be held at the Andover Guild House, next week Wednesday, January 2, from two to five o'clock. The afternoon will be devoted to sewing for the Red Cross as well as the regular business of the club. Tea will be served and Mrs. Virginia Daniels will have charge. A meeting for Red Cross sewing was held at the Guild House last Wednesday, December 26.

Red Cross Contributors

Contributions for the Red Cross relief work have been received during the past week from the following:
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Christ Church Notes

On Thursday the meeting of the Woman's Guild will be a missionary conference. Mrs. Tuckerman of Boston, will be the speaker and the Guilds from Lawrence, Methuen and North Andover will be present.

The G. F. S. is to meet at the home of Mrs. Odlin on Monday nights for the present.

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Phillips Academy Recitals in Stone Chapel

The first of the annual winter term organ recitals will be played in the chapel of Phillips Academy on Wednesday afternoon, January 9, at 4.45 o'clock by Mr. Attwood, organist of Grace Church, Lawrence.

The second recital, January 16, will be played by Mr. Camp of the faculty of Phillips Academy.

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Reviewing the Year

Looking back on the year that has gone, the things that bring us the greatest satisfaction are not any personal successes we may have had, or any pleasures we have enjoyed, but the efforts we have made to improve the conditions of others and our own progress in moral character. Nothing bears reviewing better than acts of self-sacrifice, and nothing brings greater reward. While, therefore, we must not allow ourselves to be unduly depressed by a review of the past, we must allow it to have a salutary influence upon us, and resolve with the lesser opportunities the coming time may present to us to make the most and the best of them. Much is still possible to every man who redeems his time, and who consecrates himself wholeheartedly to the service of God and man.—EX.

Andover Honor Boys at Phillips

The report from the Registrar's Office gives the following Andover boys as securing the second honor grade with marks of 95 to 72 on all subjects:

Everett F. Hatch
Herbert W. Hill
Randolph H. Perry

Large Postoffice Christmas Business

Postmaster John H. McDonald reports the largest Christmas business done in the history of the postoffice. It was found necessary to deliver the packages and mail Sunday, in the town and local routes. The regular office force was assisted by Joseph Hickey, Leo Daley and Mrs. Bernard L. McDonald.

Means Essay Subjects at Phillips Academy

The Means Essay Subjects at Phillips Academy for this year, are as follows:

1. Russia's Struggle for Democracy
2. Switzerland's System of Universal Military Training
3. Georges Clemenceau
4. Catherine Breshkovsky, the Little Grandmother of the Russian Revolution
5. The Mote in Our Own Eye
6. Generous Peace Terms; a Practical Ideal
7. The Readjustment of International Relations after the War
8. D'Annunzio and the Modern Italian Spirit
9. The Pessimism of Wilfred Wilson Gibson
10. Socialism as a Factor in Modern American Life
11. The Tragedy of Alsace-Lorraine
12. Treason in War-time
13. The Limits of Free Speech
14. Autocracy and Democracy; a Conflict of Ideals
15. Pan-Germanism and Its Ambitions
16. The First Great Naval Power: The Need of Adjusting Poetry to the Modern Spirit
17. The Poetry of the War
18. The Statesmanship of Cavour
19. Nationalism and Supernationalism
20. The State Papers of Woodrow Wilson
21. Shall We Accept the New Poetry
22. Auguste Rodin, Master
23. "With Malice Toward None"
24. The Work of Louis Ruemakers
25. The First Great Naval Power: The Sea Kings of Crete
26. The Military Tactics and Strategy of the Greek Wars
27. Timoleon, the Liberator of Sicily
28. The essays are due January 21, 1918.

ACKNOWLEDGES GIFT

Letter to Comfort Committee from
Lieut. Neil J. Cronin

Concentration Camp, Aviation Dept.
Garden City, Long Island
Andover Comfort Committee,
Andover, Mass.
My dear People:—

This morning I was informed by the adjutant that I must remain on the post to act as officer of the day on Christmas. This shattered my plans to spend the day at home. An hour later an orderly brought me a package from you. The printed sticker on the package looked real good to me. Although it didn't read Ballardvale, the sight of Andover proved a worthy substitute. It was a cheerful surprise and a symbol of kindness and thoughtfulness which is gratefully appreciated.

Although I am unable to leave the post to-morrow, I will forget that I'm but seven hours from home. I shall smoke the Camels and imagine that I am in Egypt, which will alleviate my disappointment.

Seriously speaking, I have noticed the result of the wonderful work which the women's clubs and societies have been performing during the past months. To reach every fellow in camp is a most difficult task, yet the result in this camp speaks for itself. I believe every man of the thousands has received some package of cheer.

I have admired the work of many towns, and am now happy to know that a society in my own dear town is among those who deserve the greatest of praise. Just a word about myself. I'm at the local concentration camp, awaiting my trip across. It's a dull life when there is no flying and I'm eager to get on the other side. We aviators weren't meant for paper work. I want to get into the fastest plane they have in Europe. I have my first trip all traced on the map. I insist on seeing Ireland before I enter Berlin.

Believe me again, please, I appreciate your symbol of thoughtfulness, and my hope is that I am able to do something worth while.

Gratefully yours,
Lieut. NEIL J. CRONIN
A.S.S.R.C.

Gifts Received by Andover Boys in France

Word has been received that the Andover boys "somewhere in France" have received the packages of "smokes" sent by the Andover Comfort committee. The following is the letter of acknowledgement from Lieutenant Stackpole:

102nd Field Artillery,
In the Field,
December 4, 1917.

George Dick,
Andover, Mass.
Dear Mr. Dick:—

The packages for the Andover boys arrived Saturday night, and it seems best to distribute them at once. You may be sure that we all appreciate this renewed evidence of your thoughtfulness and generosity.

The batteries had a glorious time on Thanksgiving with an abundance of turkey and all the fixings, including mince pie. Some of the batteries had variety entertainments as well. We have spent a number of weeks here now. You cannot imagine how we all appreciate letters and tokens from home.

With warm regards and thanks to all our kind home friends who are doing their part so well, I am

Faithfully yours,
MARKHAM W. STACKPOLE,
Chaplain, 102nd F.A.

Death of Mrs. Kate Francis in Halifax

Charles J. Francis left Wednesday afternoon for Halifax to attend the funeral of his mother, Mrs. Kate Francis. She had reached the age of eighty-four years, and she suffered from the effects of the disaster and explosion in such a manner that her nervous system was completely upset, and death resulted. A telegram received Wednesday morning announcing her death, was the first intimation of her illness. Mr. Francis went by train via St. John and Moncton to Halifax.

New Verse for "America"

A former resident of Andover, now living in St. Louis, Mo., writes that a new verse has been added to "America" and that it is being sung at some of the churches every Sunday. Would it not be well to learn the verse and sing it in Andover?

The verse follows:
God bless our splendid men
Send them safe home again,
God Bless our men.
Keep them victorious,
Patient and chivalrous,
They are so dear to us
God save our men.

If Your Boy Goes to the Front

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In other wars from 10 to 15 men died from disease to one from bullets.

In this war one man dies from disease to every 10 from bullets.

This war is less wasteful of life than any other in history.

LOCAL NEWS NOTES

Andover Red Cross Society has a membership of 3150.

Lindsay Ralph has been home for the Christmas holidays from Fort Warren.

Mr. and Mrs. John Crawford are visiting friends in town during the holidays.

Miss Ruth Cates spent Christmas day at Camp Devens, with her brother, Harold.

Miss Charlotte Grant of Maple avenue, is spending her vacation in Lawrence.

Miss Annie Platt, of Worcester, spent the holidays with her parents on Walnut avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Wetterburg, of High street, have gone to New York, for a visit with relatives.

Alfred Viet, of Bethlehem, Pa., spent the week-end and Christmas at the home of his parents in town.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Goldsmith of New York are visiting Mrs. William G. Goldsmith, Elm street.

Allen F. Abbott of U. S. Naval Reserves, at Bumpkin Island, spent Christmas at his home on High street.

Miss Dorothy Cutler of Mt. Holyoke College, is spending her Christmas vacation at her home on Lowell street.

Mrs. John Scott and daughter, Margaret, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Christie, Chestnut street.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Sims and son of Revere, are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John O'Connell of High street.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Rhodes of Somerville, spent Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Rhodes, Chestnut street.

Rev. C. W. Henry of Christ Church celebrated Holy Communion at North Reading Sanatorium, yesterday morning.

Miss Elsie Gleason, daughter of Representative and Mrs. Nesbit Gleason, is home from Radcliffe College, for her vacation.

Arthur R. Lewis is enjoying a two weeks' vacation at his home in the West Parish, from the Aviation school at M. I. T.

Miss Ruth Abbott of Washington, D. C., is spending several days at the home of her mother, Mrs. E. F. Abbott, West Parish.

The Free church Sunday School Club holds its monthly meeting this evening at the home of Charles B. Baldwin, on Summer street.

Miss Helen Higgins, teacher of languages in Medfield High School, is spending her vacation with her mother, on Washington avenue.

Dr. and Mrs. Ralph D. Head, and two sons, of Pittsfield, are spending the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Head's parents, Hon. and Mrs. John N. Cole.

Howard Cates, of Camp Devens, spent Christmas day at the home of his wife's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Boutwell, of Haggett's Pond district.

M. P. Zullas of Camp Devens, Commissary Department, formerly cook at Phillips Academy Dining Hall, spent his Christmas furlough in Montreal, Canada.

Miss Mary E. Carter entertained a company of friends and neighbors at a Christmas afternoon tea-party, Tuesday. Refreshments were served and musical selections were enjoyed.

A special meeting of the G. A. L. Club was held last evening at the home of Misses Emma and Lillian Holt, Haverhill street. Miss Emma Holt is enjoying a ten days' vacation from Washington, D. C.

The officers of the State Guard Co. H. of Andover are: Captain, Dr. P. S. Page; mess sergeant, John C. Angus; cooks, Eugene M. Weeks and Jesse E. West; mechanic, John M. Gorrie; musicians: bugler, David S. Lindsay, and drummer, Arthur Bliss, Jr.

Herbert Warren Holt, who was at first stationed on Bumpkin Island, and has since been transferred to several different stations, is now quartermaster on the U. S. S. G. H. McNeil, a patrol and mine sweeping boat, having its headquarters at Norfolk, Va.

Last Sunday evening the meeting of the Free church Christian Endeavor society was led by Wendell Kydd. The subject was "Christmas Giving." Next Sunday evening the semi-annual business meeting will be held, under the leadership of George Scott, the subject being "Planning for the Future."

The annual business meeting of the Women's Club of the Grange, was held Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Officers were appointed for the coming year as follows: President, Mrs. Everett Lundgren; vice-president, Mrs. Ira Hall; secretary and treasurer, Miss Gertrude Morgan. In the evening there were about eighty present to enjoy a good supper, pleasing entertainment, and dancing. The committee in charge: Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wright, Mr. and Mrs. William Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. George Carter.

Died This Morning

John Dugan, a well known resident of Abbott Village, and an employee of Smith and Dove Manufacturing Company passed away this morning at his home on Cuba street, after a week's illness with pneumonia.

Violin Talk

"Music is the language of the emotions." Mr. Joseph Emile Daudelin, former pupil of the famous Paris Conservatoire, at Briggs-Allen School, Saturdays; other days, Steinert Hall, Boston.

Wedding

LOOK-BRALEY

A wedding of interest to Andover readers was celebrated Saturday night, December 22, at seven o'clock, at Arlington, when Dr. Percy Jonathan Look and Jane Barker Braley were married at the home of the bride's aunt, Mrs. Roger Homer. Dr. Look is a son of Mrs. M. L. Look of Andover and was graduated at Boston City Hospital as resident physician two years before he settled in practice here. Mrs. Look is the grand daughter of Mrs. Adelaide Barker of New York City and is a graduate of the New England Hospital for Women and Children, Boston.

The fine old colonial home, occupied by the Gray-Homer family for more than seventy years, was beautifully decorated with Christmas greens and palms and opened wide its hospitable doors to a merry company of relatives and friends of bride and groom. The bride was gowned in embroidered net, outlined with silver, over satin and chiffon. She wore a full bridal veil falling from a Dutch cap made of lace, which her great-grandmother had worn when a bride, and trimmed with orange blossoms. She carried a shower bouquet of bride roses and lilies of the valley. Her maid of honor was Miss Christine Adams of Arlington, who wore a Nile green dress of silk and tulle, and carried Killarney roses. The groom was attended by Paul Gould Robbins, Bowdoin 1905, of Andover. The double ring ceremony was performed by Rev. Edward R. Stearns of Concord, N. H., assisted by Rev. Frederick Gill of Arlington. After a brief trip, Dr. Look will bring his bride to his home at 115 Main street.

BAY STATE NOTES

Receiver Donham of the Bay State Street Railway says:
"We have no information of any serious difficulty with our men, except what we see in the papers, but I do not believe that our employees generally fail to realize the difficulties we have in getting coal."
"We have been told in Washington that they won't help us to run a full schedule and that we must cut our service. This cut was not made to reduce expenses, and I don't know now whether it will cost more or less than the old schedule, when loss of travel is considered."
"The cut had to be made without reference to expenses, and they were not even considered in making it; we did only what we had to do, and our problem isn't solved yet. We have only four days' available supply of coal at Chelsea, six days' at Lowell now, and only little better elsewhere. We have practically no coal on the way from the mines, and have been all day communicating with Washington trying to get more coal."
"The public has been most considerate in accommodating itself to these war necessities, and I don't believe our employees will take any different point of view."
"Under our agreement with our men they have a certain time within which they can pick their trips, in the order of their seniority in service, when a change of schedule is made. There was no chance to allow this in the present case, and therefore we at once agreed to pay any men laid off during this interval, so that no one suffered in this way."
"Our agreement provides for arbitration of all difficulties with our employees in case of disagreements as to the terms of the contract, and this would, of course, precede any action that would result in less cars than are operated now."

Christmas Services

The fine weather last Sunday permitted many to attend the Christmas services in the several churches and enjoy musical programs prepared for the occasion. Special sermons were preached and many of the speakers referred to the unusual Christmas gloom on account of the war. The usual Sunday school concerts were given up on account of the Union Card Service held by Courteous Circle, King's Daughters, at the South Church.

The services at St. Augustine's Church were marked by well prepared musical programs at the morning and evening worship. Miss Donovan spared no pains to carry out an elaborate program.

At Christ Church the exercise, planned for unfurling and blessing the service flag was omitted on account of the non-arrival of the flag. The organist, B. F. Michelson, planned and carried out a good musical program.

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Round, for mountings, 1 qt. 1.20	Bread Pans
Oval, for mountings, 1 qt. 1.20	Round, 8 1/2 x 12 1/2 in. 75c
Round, 1 1/2 qts. 1.50	Cake Dish
Round, for mountings, 1 1/2 qts. 1.50	Oblong, 8 1/2 x 12 1/2 in. 75c
Round, 2 qts. 1.75	Cake Dish
Oval, for mountings, 2 qts. 1.75	Round, 8 1/2 in. 5c
Round, 2 1/2 qts. 2.00	Utility Dish
Pudding or Baking Dishes	Oblong, 10 x 15 1/2 in. 90c
Round, 1 qt. 70c	Shirred Egg Dishes
Round, shallow, 1 qt. 70c	Round, with handles 5 1/2 in. 45c
Round, 1 1/2 qt. 85c	Round, with handles, 7 in. 5c
Round, shallow, 1 1/2 qt. 85c	Au Gratin Dish
Round, 2 qt. 1.00	Oval, with handles, 8 x 6 in. 70c
Round, 2 1/2 qt. 1.15	Custard Cups
Baking Dishes	Round, set of six, 4 oz. 90c
Oval, 9 oz. 35c	Round, set of six, 6 oz. 1.20
Oval, 10 oz. 40c	Oval, set of six, 5 oz. 1.50
Oval, 12 1/2 oz. 45c	Ramekins
Oval, 18 1/2 oz. 50c	Round, set of six, wide flange, 4 oz. 1.05

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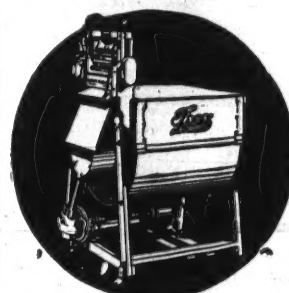
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ANDOVER CHURCHES



SERVICES FOR COMING WEEK

SOUTH CHURCH

Central Street

Congregational. Organized 1711

Rev. E. Victor Bigelow, Minister

10.30. Morning service. Sermon by the minister on Experience.
12.00. Sunday School session.
4.00. Christmas Concert.
6.40. Senior Endeavor meeting.
7.45 Wednesday. Midweek service. Preparatory lecture.
7.45 Friday. Choir rehearsal.

WEST CHURCH

Congregational. Organized 1826

Rev. Newman Matthews, Pastor

10.30. Public worship with sermon by the pastor.
12.00. Sunday School.
7.00. C. E. meeting led by Herbert Rose.
7.00 Wednesday. Annual supper and business meeting of the church.
2.00 Thursday. The Ladies' Aid Society will meet with Mrs. Merrick to sew for the Red Cross.

ST. AUGUSTINE'S CHURCH

Emex Street

Roman Catholic. Organized 1850

Rev. Fr. Riordan, Pastor

Assistants

Rev. William Donovan

Rev. Daniel J. Fogarty

6.30 Sunday. Mass and instruction.
8.30. Mass and instruction.
Sunday School to follow.
10.30. High mass and sermon.
2.45. Children of Mary Sodality meeting each Sunday.
8.30. Vespers, rosary, and benediction.
7.30 Thursday. Holy Hour devotion.
First Sunday of month, Communion day for Sacred Heart Sodality.
Second Sunday of month, Communion day for Knights of Good Counsel.
Third Sunday of month, Communion day for Holy Name Society.
Fourth Sunday of month, Communion day for Children of Mary.
Holy Name Society meets fourth Monday evening of each month.
Sacred Heart Sodality meets first Friday evening of each month.
Knights of Good Counsel meet second Wednesday evening of each month.
Promoters of Propagation of the Faith, second Thursday evening of each month.
Altar boys meet first Monday evening of each month.

PHILLIPS ACADEMY CHAPEL

"On the Hill"

No service.

FREE CHURCH

Elm Street

Congregational. Organized 1846

Rev. Frederick A. Wilson, Pastor

10.30. Worship with sermon by the pastor.
12.00. The Church School.
3.30. Junior Endeavor Society.
6.30. Senior Endeavor Society.
7.30 Monday. Young ladies' Dorcas Circle.
2.30 Wednesday. Monthly meeting of the Helping Hand Society in the ladies' parlor.
7.45 Wednesday. Service preparatory to communion.

10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Thursday. All-day meeting of the Ladies' Benevolent Society. Sewing for the Red Cross.

CHRIST CHURCH

Central Street

Episcopal. Organized 1835

Rector, Rev. C. W. Henry

9.00. Holy communion.
10.30. Morning prayer and sermon.
12.00. Church School.
5.00. Evening service and address.
9.00 Tuesday. Holy communion.

BAPTIST CHURCH

Organized 1832

Rev. E. H. Prescott, Pastor

10.30. Morning worship with New Year sermon by the pastor. Theme: "Striving for the Goal through 1918."
11.40. Children's sermon.
11.45. Church School.
6.30. Christian Endeavor.
7.15. Evening worship, song service and sermon. Subject: "Farewell to the Old Year. How shall we enter the New Year?"
7.45 Monday. Meeting of the Church Committee.
9.00 Monday. Watch Night service.
7.45 Wednesday. Monthly covenant and conference meeting. Monthly business meeting.
7.45 Saturday. Chorus rehearsal. Prof. G. T. Hamer, director.

NORTH PARISH CHURCH

North Andover Centre

Unitarian. Organized 1645

Rev. Wm. S. Nichols, Minister

Electric cars from Elm Square connect at Wilson's Corner going both ways. Take car leaving Elm Square at 10.15 and transfer to North Andover. A cordial welcome to all.

NEWS OF ANDOVER SUBURBS

WEST PARISH

Mrs. E. W. Burt is rapidly recovering from a severe attack of neuritis.

Herbert Rose of New London, N. H., is spending a week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Rose.

The next meeting of the Red Cross in the Osgood district, will be held with Mrs. Fred Kress, Friday of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. James Marshall of Abington, spent the holiday with Mrs. Marshall's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Ward.

Next Wednesday evening, January 2, the annual church supper of the West church will be held in the vestry. Supper committee are Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Corliss, Mr. and Mrs. Austin Huggins, and Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Rose.

Among the arrivals in the Parish, home for the holidays, are: Ruth Abbott, who is employed in Washington; Kenneth Hardy, from Dartmouth College; T. E. Carter, from M. A. C.; Herbert Carter, master in the Middlesex School in Concord; Jennie Boutwell from Northfield; and Helen Hardy, from Jackson College.

The Christmas entertainment of the West church was held in the vestry Monday evening, with a large number in attendance. The entertainment consisted of a reading by Gertrude Morgan entitled "Annie and Willie's prayer," with tableaux; W. B. Corliss taking the part of "Papa" and Evelyn Wright and Granville Cutler Jr., representing Annie and Willie. In the last tableau, Mrs. Harry Wright, representing the spirit of the Angel mother, in a low, sweet voice, sang part of that mother's favorite hymn. Then the choir of young girls and boys sang a Christmas song. The usual Christmas tree with candy for the children, and presents for young and old, was taken care of by Santa Claus, who gave a short talk to the children before distributing the presents. Light refreshments were served. Herbert Merrick represented Santa Claus while Pauline Peterson, Fannie Lewis, and Kenneth Hilton had charge of arrangements.

Obituary

MRS. GILMAN BAILEY

Christmas morning the Angel of Death entered the parish and took from among us Mrs. Carolyn Gilcrest, widow of the late Gilman Bailey. Mrs. Bailey was born in Andover eighty-three years ago, and sixty years ago she was married to Gilman Bailey, who died eighteen years ago. Mrs. Bailey had three children: one boy, who died many years ago, a daughter, Mrs. Lela Cooley, who died just a year ago, and a son, Charles, with whom she always lived and where she died. The shock of the sudden death of her daughter who was remarkably devoted to her mother, was a severe blow and one from which Mrs. Bailey never completely recovered. For some weeks she has been gradually and very peacefully letting go her hold on earth and smilingly awaiting the end, which came

ABBOTT VILLAGE

Phyllis Writzbarger is visiting relatives in Plymouth.

John Ness of Red Spring road, spent Sunday visiting at Camp Devens.

William D. Valentine of Red Spring road spent Sunday at Camp Devens.

James Sharpe of North Main street has removed his family to Red Spring road.

Miss Margaret Armour is visiting at the home of Mrs. James Cairnie, of Red Spring road.

James McDonald of Revere visited his brother John on Red Spring road, at the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Haddon of Beverly, spent the holiday with Mr. Haddon's parents on Essex street.

Miss Annie Kelly of Jamaica Plain, spent the week-end with her sister, Mrs. William Broderick of Red Spring road.

Mrs. Isabelle McLaughlin of Red Spring road spent the Christmas holiday at the home of Mrs. Joseph Soutar, of Melrose.

Mrs. William Morrissey and daughter, Pauline, of Lynn, spent Christmas at the home of Mr. and Mrs. David Guthrie of Brechn Terrace.

Mr. and Mrs. James Adams and daughters, May and Margaret, of Lynn, spent the holiday at the home of William Hadden of Essex street.

To Those Who Feel Poor

I write as your brother.

We are a large family.

This world-war, made in Germany, against which we are fighting, has sent our incomes down and our expenses up.

The pinch hurts, but it is not going to kill us.

We still have enough and something to spare.

Though we feel poor, don't let us be impoverished by selfish fear.

Let us save in food, in service, in clothes, in luxuries and joy-rides—but not in money!

Let us use that by giving it to save the wounded, the suffering, our friends, our country.

Let us keep Christmas this year by keeping up the Red Cross.

Then it will not be a poor Christmas, but a rich Christmas to our hearts.

HENRY VAN DYKE

very peacefully. She was a good wife, a patient and devoted mother, and a friend to all. She was a member of the Baptist church in Tewksbury, and a loyal member for many years, of Andover grange. Funeral services will be conducted this afternoon at 1 p.m., by Rev. G. Foster Camp and Rev. Newman Matthews, and burial will be in the family lot in the West Parish Cemetery.

BALLARDVALE

UNION CONGREGATIONAL
Rev. A. H. Fuller, Pastor

10.30. Worship with sermon by the pastor.
Sunday School to follow.
6.00. Y. P. S. C. E.
7.30 Thursday. Prayer meeting at the home of Mrs. Charles E. Davies, Escombe road.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL
Rev. F. A. Everett, Pastor

10.30. Worship with sermon by the pastor.
Subject: "Revivals."
Sunday School to follow.
6.15. Epworth League.
7.00. Praise service with address by pastor.
7.30 Thursday. Prayer meeting.

Mrs. E. E. Mitchell of York, Me., is visiting relatives in the village.

The pupils of the Bradley school are having their vacation until January 14.

The Ballardvale mills started up Wednesday morning, having shut down Monday and Tuesday.

Mrs. Lizzie S. Barnes and Daniel H. Poor spent Christmas with the former's sister, Mrs. Everett Marsh of Dedham.

There was a good attendance at the Congregational Christmas tree held in Bradley hall on Monday evening. An interesting and attractive program was well rendered. Santa Claus in the person of Holmes Bates, assisted by his young man, James Sparks, made the hearts of all the young full of delight.

The meeting of the Andover C. E. Union was held with the local society on Friday evening. The president presided. There was a fair-sized delegation from each society present. Plans were discussed and outlined for the coming county convention to be held in Andover April 19. Considerable disappointment was felt because Rev. Mr. Prescott, the speaker of the evening, was unable to be present. The evening closed with an enjoyable social.

Christmas Concert

The annual Christmas Sunday School concert was held in the Congregational church Sunday at 6 o'clock. The following excellent program was rendered in a very acceptable manner: Organ prelude; prayer, Rev. A. H. Fuller; vocal solo, Mrs. Frank Juhlmann; recitation, Arlene Miller; singing, choir; The Christmas Story, Miss Izzetta Fillebrown; vocal solo, James Sparks; recitation, Ruth Davis; recitation, Doris Ferrier; exercise, four boys; singing, choir; remarks, William Shaw; benediction, Rev. A. H. Fuller.

Death of Former Resident

Byam D. Morgan, a former well-known resident of Ballardvale, died December 26, at his home in Le Grand, California, where he has lived since he left Ballardvale. Besides his wife he leaves a daughter, Mrs. Isaac Orr of Hugson, California, and a granddaughter, Miss Elsie Orr, to mourn his loss.

LETTERS FROM FRANCE

By Mrs. Marlborough Churchill

Paris, December 5, 1917
It is an odd idea, but I feel that a letter sent on this boat will be the one to reach you at Christmas time. I am swamped with Christmas preparations, and with a letter from Elizabeth, telling me of money which can be used for Christmas pleasures, I can see no end to what I want to do.

I recently received a case from Elizabeth, in fact, two, which contained men's clothing, endless perfect woolen gloves for children, and men's and boys' caps. As everything seems to arrive at the right moment, these did the same. I sent the men's caps and suits at once to Mme. Destray, for her reformers and refugees, and although I didn't have a chance to go over that night, I heard that my sack of clothing went in one door, and by pieces walked out the other, each article on, and making some man more comfortable and happy. The children's gloves I sent at once to a little orphanage, which has only fifteen little girls, and supported by the income of the dear little woman who runs it. She is seventy-two, and at the present moment very ill, but I think will get well. Just one other woman cares for, and looks after all fifteen children, and if Mme. Anderson should die, no one knows what would happen to her orphanage.

You wrote that the gloves I sent there, and the caps, came from Frank Cole's store, and as his gift. Will you, for me, tell him they were all given where they were immediately used, and although months on the way, they were doubly appreciated when they arrived.

On Christmas, this dear little old lady always asks all the poor old beggars of her quarter, for Christmas dinner, consisting of soup, and meat and vegetable stew. They are all welcome, and can have all the soup and stew they can eat. The fact that she was lying in bed and could do nothing this year, was not helping her convalescence, and making her very unhappy. So Miss Dagmar and I decided we could split that Christmas party in, with the others we are trying to do. She is going to be responsible for the poor beggars' dinner, and I am going to give the orphanage a Christmas tree, and hot chocolate and cakes. Miss Dagmar went to see the dear little lady the other day, to tell her for Christmas day, she would be the "grand mere," as the poor old call Mme. Anderson, in her quarter. She was so happy and relieved, that her poor and orphaned would not be forgotten, she could do nothing but weep salt tears!

As my time for doing things can not begin until five o'clock, which is long after dark, you will understand if my letters are brief until after Christmas. Our days at the Alcazar are hectic, for we are trying to get out all we can for the suffering souls in the hospitals. At this season there is always added suffering.

This last week I have had the joy of giving personally to men who were suffering with the cold, and about to return to the trenches, each a sweater, scarf and socks, knit by your good workers in Andover. Yesterday a nice little French soldier came into the Alcazar to help with the cases, and was so glad to see me, said he was at Mme. Destray's canteen last Christmas, and remembered me. He is now just out of a hospital, third time blessed, and his joy was inexpressible, that his month's convalescence would not be up until after Christmas, and that he could go to our canteen party again this year. He was so neat, and such a well set up chap, yet came to me and showed me that his negligee shirt was all he had on under his blouse. He didn't have an undershirt or sweater, but had a scarf, doing all a scarf is expected to do and more. I gave him an Andover Red Cross sweater, I had for an emergency case in my desk drawer, and one of Frank Cole's nice flannel shirts. Needless to say the man was happy, and I know was warmer.

To-night before I left my office they said an Arab (Mohammed Ab some thing), was there with a note officially stamped, saying he would die of the cold, if warm clothes couldn't be procured for him. My desk was piled high with work, and knowing I had nothing there for him (the A. F. W. is just for hospitals and wounded you know), I could only send him word that if he would come in the morning I would give him a sweater, socks, trench shirt, etc., which I could bring from here, from your glorious Andover work. They said he was almost on his knees in gratitude, and asked if he couldn't come in and kiss my hand!

They told him he had better wait until morning, when I gave him his things, for I was very busy. So I have the Arab's gratitude to you, in store for me in the morning. This started to be a Christmas letter, but as usual I have wandered, but I did want to thank you all for making my work possible, and I know you will understand if my evenings must be spent with some of the million things I have undertaken for Christmas.

I simply cannot help in the work of filling comfort bags for our own men, so Mollie is going to the Lyceum Club every Thursday afternoon until Christmas, to do this. One of us I felt should share in this work, and I couldn't send a better substitute than dear old Mollie.

So my Christmas letter, queer as it is, must go as it is. It carries all my love, and every wish for a Merry Christmas, and a Happy New Year, and the hope that before another Christmas season, we may know again what peace is, and may we all be spared to enjoy it together.

An old lady, stopping to give a penny to a beggar, was moved to inquire the cause of his destitution. The poor man, doffing his hat, answered: "I was always like you, lady, a-givin' away vast sum 'er the poor and needy."—Ex.

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FORM OF ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF INSOLVENT ESTATE
Estate of Frank E. Wright late of Andover in the County of Essex, deceased, intestate, represented insolvent.
The Probate Court for said County will receive and examine all claims of creditors against the estate of said Frank E. Wright and notice is hereby given that six months from the third day of December A.D. 1917, are allowed to creditors to present and prove their claims against said estate, and that the Court will receive and examine the claims of creditors at Salem on the eighteenth day of February, 1918, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, and at Salem on the eighteenth day of March, 1918, at nine o'clock in the forenoon.
CHARLOTTE B. WRIGHT, Administrator.

ANDOVER SAVINGS BANK

ANDOVER, DECEMBER 24, 1917
The Annual Meeting of the Members of the Andover Savings Bank will be held at the Bank on the first Monday of January next, at 2 o'clock p.m., for the choice of Officers, and the transaction of any other business that may legally come before them.
ALFRED E. STEARNS, Clerk

ANDOVER NATIONAL BANK

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Andover National Bank, Andover, Mass., will be held at its banking room, Tuesday, the 8th day of January, 1918, at 10 a.m., for the choice of Directors and the transaction of any other business that may properly come before the meeting.
CHESTER W. HOLLAND, Cashier

December 1st, 1917

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REPORT OF ANDOVER COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY

Food Production and Conservation

The accompanying report of the Garden Supervisor gives a general outline of the work covered by the Committee on Food Production and Conservation; to it there is little need of adding much. The Committee held in the early part of its career meetings at least once each week; the attendance was generally good. Miss Smith, Mr. Barnes and Mr. Corliss were diligent in investigating the labor problem and were able to secure several farm hands, though the demand for them was not actually pressing. Even in the season, the secretary was unable to secure plows for lads of sixteen or eighteen who had had some experience in gardening or farming.

The Committee through the generous help of John H. Campion was able to sell almost two carloads of seed potatoes at the cost price, \$3.15 per bushel. Forty-five tons of commercial fertilizer, the highest grade on the market, was sold at rates considerably below those quoted by local dealers. In this connection it should be stated that local firms were given a chance to bid on the fertilizer as well as, later on, jars for canning. After careful investigation it was deemed unwise to attempt the retailing of seeds.

To Mrs. B. M. Allen, Mrs. LeBoutillier and Mrs. Feeney and their assistants, gratitude not only from the Committee but also from the town is justly due, for untiring and most efficient work in teaching the modern canning methods with pronounced success.

The Committee realizes completely and expresses its thanks to John N. Cole, whose constant help and assistance both in personal and in the Townsman enabled the Committee to accomplish far more than seemed possible.

The Committee suggests that the Andover Committee on Public Safety send a personal letter of thanks to donors of land, to those who, having leased certain lots, surrendered them to the Committee without compensation, to Mrs. Allen, Mrs. LeBoutillier and Mrs. Feeney for their great help and to Mr. Cole for his generous contribution of space in The Townsman.

H. M. POYNTER, Secretary
Committee on Food Production and Conservation.

Garden Supervisor's Report

To the Andover Committee on Public Safety:

Ladies and Gentlemen:

The following is a report of the season's work in Andover.

The work here in Andover began Monday, May 14, at which time the garden supervision work was in charge of Mr. Roberts of the County School at Danvers, who had the work well begun, which is half done, as the old adage puts it.

The work here has been divided into four distinct parts: first, supervision of the five plots of land which were turned over to the Committee for this season; second, taking a Crop Census and Survey of the farms in Andover; third, visiting any person in town to give advice about gardens, etc.; and, fourth, office work. We will consider each phase of the work in turn.

GARDEN SUPERVISION

This part of the work has been done mainly after supper, nights, Saturday afternoons, and Sunday mornings, as most of the men having gardens are at leisure only at these times. There are 110 garden plots of 1-8 acre each, and ninety gardeners, as some have two gardens. There is also, one one-acre lot planted to cabbages on a wet portion of Locke field. A regular schedule of visits to different fields was as follows: Tuesday night, Pasho and Avon street; Thursday night, Duffon field and Town Farm; Saturday night, Locke Field. For a number of weeks during the early part of the season your supervisor spent also Monday and Friday nights visiting some one of the gardens. Every one of the men who didn't give the enterprise up before anything was planted has seen the undertaking through with very good results in all but a few exceptional cases, due probably to the poor location of their lots.

CROP CENSUS AND SURVEY

This work has been done in co-operation with the Essex County Agricultural School, which has made a census of the whole county. Blank forms furnished by the School and now on file there were used for this work. The totals were as follows:

Returns complete from 201 parties.
Total Farm Area, 6577 acres.
Tilled crop area, 971 acres or 14.7 per cent.

Woodland area, 3607 acres or 54.8 per cent.
Pasture area, 2101 acres or 31.9 per cent.

Hay area, 2209 acres or 33.5 per cent in 1916 and 2174 acres or 33.0 per cent in 1917.

Potatoes—81½ acres in 1916, and 155 in 1917.
Beans—38 3-8 acres in 1916 and 62½ in 1917.

Cabbage—28½ in 1916 and 50 7-8 in 1917.
Sweet Corn—44 5-8 acres in 1916, and 63 3-8 in 1917.

Apple Trees—10,294 bearing trees, i. e. trees old enough to bear or that have borne a crop, and 3512 young trees.

Pears 299; Peaches 2521; Plums 163; Strawberries 57-8 acres; Cows 842; Horses 233; Swine 287; Hens 9388; Chickens 11,917; Sheep 32; Goats 5.

Cord Wood for sale—429 cords located.

This report seems to show that there are about twice as many potatoes planted as last year, nearly twice as many beans and cabbages; and that there are a large number of young apple trees.

OUTSIDE VISITS

From time to time your supervisor has been called to give advice to different parties who have gardens at home. No record has been kept of such visits but at least fifty such have been made. This and the survey work seem to be of great importance as these two phases of the work gave an opportunity of meeting people in their own homes and seeing their problems at first hand. The home is, after all, the only unit upon which any great lasting movement must be based as it is a more permanent unit than any other.

OFFICE WORK

Through the office of the Public Safety Committee, 1100 bushels of seed potatoes were sold and thirty gross of preserving jars. Results of the crop census have been added up from week to week; information has been given over the telephone and questions answered when possible; trespass signs, Essex County Agricultural School bulletins, etc., have been distributed freely and pictures of the various gardens have been taken and were on exhibition at the office. The office hours have been from 9 o'clock to 12 o'clock a.m., and 1 to 5 o'clock p.m.

We wish to express our appreciation of the active interest and co-operation in the work by Mrs. Cannon, and also of all who have loaned their cars to use in taking the survey and in getting vegetables for the canning demonstrations. We have to thank Frederick H. Jones, Philip F. Ripley, Henry Barnard, F. M. Temple, Mrs. J. A. Towle, C. H. Forbes, Ralph Coleman, Gile Johnson, William Jaquith, Jr., Mrs. M. L. Chase, Mrs. L. H. Homer, Mrs. S. N. Fletcher, and Mr. N. E. Bartlett for their generosity in loaning their cars.

It is evident that much good has been accomplished by this garden movement in 1917 and it is sincerely hoped that the work may continue another year. I believe that one of these crop census blanks should be filled out by every farmer voluntarily for the Government every year.

In conclusion I beg to congratulate those men and women of Andover who have "done their bit" in this way. Their interest, self sacrifice, and hard work, are evidences of the finest kind of modest, loyal, patriotic service.

Respectfully submitted,
HERMAN B. NASH

Local Survey

The Local Survey Committee has made a careful and comprehensive examination of the industrial situation in Andover in accordance with the suggestion offered by the state authorities. This survey included: compiling a list of the skilled workers of the town, together with their ages, addresses and place of employment; a list of automobile owners and automobile truck owners together with the data relative to machines and drivers, a list of bicycle and motor cycle owners and a list of the horses in the town. The purpose of the survey was simply to prepare and have available for immediate use the facilities of Andover for whatever military needs the government should demand of the town.

The following facts of industrial and military interest have been tabulated:—
Automobiles (pleasure) in Andover 224
Automobiles available for use of Committee 190
Auto trucks in Andover 25
Auto trucks available for use of Committee 17
Bicycles 9
Motor Cycles 4
Horses 278
Skilled Workers 274

Carpenters 69
Ship Carpenter 1
Painters 33
Blacksmiths 15
Masons 10
Civil Engineers 4
Stationary Engineers 6
Engineers 1
Assistant Engineers 7
Firemen 7
Draughtsmen 1
Chemists 5
Blacksmith-Machinist 2
Steamfitters 2
Signal operators 2
Telegraph operators 2
Pattern makers 2
Moulders 5
Plumbers 31
Harness Makers 1
Millwrights 1
Caulkers 1
Saddlers 1
Woodworkers 9
Pipers 17
Chauffeurs 13
Auto repair men 2
Electricians 2
Machinists 24

Ages of skilled workmen
Between 20 and 30 59
Between 30 and 40 76
Between 40 and 50 72
Between 50 and 60 35
Between 60 and 70 28
Between 70 and 80 4
Average age 42.274

Executive Committee

To the Citizens of Andover:

The time seems opportune for presenting to the public the first report of the local Public Safety Committee.

The Committee was organized by the formation of the following executive committee: John N. Cole, Chairman; John C. Angus, Secretary; C. W. Holland, Treasurer; Charles E. Abbott, M. D., Henry A. Bodwell, John H. Campion, William C. Crowley, Harry M. Eames, Burton S. Flagg, Bartlett H. Hayes, Ralph O. Ingram, Frederick H. Jones, Alfred L. Ripley, George F. Smith, Alfred E. Stearns; and organized sub-committees for different activities as follows:

Food Production and Conservation: Frederick H. Jones, Chairman, Ralph N. C. Barnes, Henry W. Barnard, Henry A. Bodwell, Frank L. Cole, Marquis M. Converse, William B. Corliss, Myron E. Gutterston, P. J. Hannon, V. D. Harrington, Walter M. Lamont, Horace M. Poynter, Mary Byers Smith, Fred A. Swanton, Fred M. Temple.

Local Survey: John H. Campion, Chairman, Charles B. Baldwin, Frank H. Buttrick, Fred G. Cheney, Walter S. Donald, Charles H. Forbes, Frank H. Hardy, Philip L. Hardy, Timothy J. Mahoney, Frederic G. Moore, Walter I. Morse, Philip F. Ripley, Barnett Rogers, J. Duke Smith, James C. Soutar.

Finance: Alfred L. Ripley, Chairman; George Abbot, Frederic S. Boutwell, William J. Burns, E. Barton Chapin, William D. Currier, Maurice J. Curran, Granville K. Cutler, Edward W. French, Willis B. Hodgkins, Chester W. Holland, George L. Seiden, David Shaw, George F. Smith, Augustus P. Thompson.

Home Guard: Edgar G. Holt, Chairman, Charles Buchanan, Joseph L. Burns, Herbert F. Chase, William J. Cronin, Jerome W. Cross, Percival Dove, George M. Henderson, William H. Jaquith, H. Bradford Lewis, B. Frank Michelson, Joseph L. Myerscough, Pierson S. Page, M. D., Philip W. Thomson.

Health: Dr. Charles E. Abbott, Chair-

In addition the Survey Committee has had an opportunity to assist in various good public enterprises. On Memorial Day the Committee co-operated with the Grand Army Veterans and furnished seventeen automobiles to convey the veterans and other participants in the exercises of the day; this saved the local Post a very substantial sum of money. In addition, twenty-six automobile owners furnished their machines through this Committee to convey to Boxford the relatives of boys camped there last summer. The Committee also arranged for conveyances for the use of those interested in the food conservation movement.

The Survey Committee has enjoyed the cordial co-operation of the townspeople in this work and they take this opportunity to thank all those who, in various ways, have been of aid and service.

JOHN H. CAMPION, Chairman

Volunteer Aid

Thus far the labors of the Volunteer Aid Committee have been largely devoted to the mapping of ways and means for assistance when needed.

The policy of the Committee, briefly, is:

1. To prevent duplication or omission in needed local relief work.
2. To relieve dependents in destitute circumstances.
3. To cordially co-operate with the other local relief organizations.

Andover has three distinct agencies for relief:—

1. The Red Cross, with its efficient Andover organization already established and in working shape.
2. The Selectmen of the Town.
3. The Volunteer Aid Committee, of the Committee on Public Safety, whose special business is to investigate and alleviate needy cases due to war activity.

These three interests are in full co-operation, and it is hoped that all necessary matters will be handled through the one central co-operative authority.

As the work enlarges, it is desired that representatives of Churches, Andover Guild, Ballardvale, and other interests be added to the active organization.

Already the Emergency Relief Unit, so called, under the direction of a General Committee, has carefully compiled a list, with telephone connections, of

1. Andover physicians.
2. Trained nurses.
3. Motor trucks to carry stretchers.
4. Available motors and drivers.
5. The first place of refuge, with location of surgical dressings and hospital supplies.
6. Location of surplus mattresses and blankets.
7. Available men for guard or errand duty.
8. Graduates of the Red Cross First Aid Classes.

The General Committee, and all doctors in Andover are supplied with the above data.

The Committee welcomes suggestions from any source, as to how better to organize and perform its service.

The Andover Committee on Public Safety, Volunteer Aid:
Burton S. Flagg, Chairman
Charles Bowman
Lewis H. Homer
Miss Elizabeth Smith
Colver J. Stone

And men and women representatives of various aid and relief societies in Andover, to be selected by committee.

BURTON S. FLAGG, Chairman

man, Dr. J. J. Daly, Mrs. Bartlett H. Hayes, and men and women representatives of health and nursing organizations in Andover, to be selected by committee.

Volunteer Aid: Burton S. Flagg, Chairman, Charles Bowman, Lewis H. Homer, Miss Elizabeth Smith, Colver J. Stone, and men and women representatives of various aid and relief societies in Andover, to be selected by committee.

Advice and Aid to Aliens: William C. Crowley, Chairman, John W. Bell, Charles W. Clark, Dan Hilton, Everett C. Hilton, Charles McDermitt.

The organization of these committees provided the various factors necessary for carrying on what appeared to be at the outset, and what has been proven by time, the needed work of organizing Andover for its part in the present world war. Without exception, members of the various committees have taken up their tasks cheerfully and carried them on enthusiastically. Some of the minor details associated with Andover's part have been carried on by other committees than those officially organized under the Public Safety Committee and it is fitting to recognize at this time the help and interest contributed by the committees formed by churches and various organizations and working along lines not directly associated with the main committee.

The details submitted by the various sub-committees in the reports herewith, set forth very clearly the manner in which the different departments of work have been conducted. In a number of cases there has thus far been no necessity for organized endeavor by organized committees, but the work of preparing for anything that might arise has been so well done that we may feel that Andover now has the preliminaries all complied with, her departments fully organized, and her various workers standing at attention, ready for whatever orders may come or any demands that may be made.

The work of the Food Production and Conservation Committee deserves special mention because not only very satisfactory results have been recorded for

Sub-Committee on Health

The Sub-Committee on Health of the Andover Committee on Public Safety, held its first meeting, April 14. The Committee at this time consisted of Dr. Abbott, as Chairman, Dr. J. J. Daly, and Mrs. Bartlett H. Hayes. It was thought best at this time to make further additions to the Committee, that in so far as possible there should be no work done by this Committee which would in any way interfere with the work already so ably and systematically done by other organizations in town. To this end therefore, the Committee was organized as follows:—

Dr. Charles E. Abbott, representing the Board of Health.
Mrs. Bartlett H. Hayes, representing the Red Cross Society; Special aid for American Preparedness; Surgical Dressings Committee.
Dr. J. J. Daly, Town Physician.

Mrs. M. W. Stackpole, representing the Andover Public Health Association.
Mrs. George F. French, Trained Nurse, representing First Aid classes.

Miss Emily Sprague, Trained Nurse, representing Andover's Corporations.
On May 28, there was held at the State House in Boston, a meeting of the Chairmen of the Committees on Hygiene, Medicine and Sanitation throughout the Commonwealth. At this meeting it was discovered that there was a lack of proper co-operation in the work of many organizations in the State, much time, money and effort being wasted, through the want of co-operation by many societies, all working presumably towards the same ultimate end, but by devious routes, and at this time it was found that the amount and unanimity of the work which had been done in Andover, even months before the organizations for general preparedness, was far in advance of any other city or town, with one or two exceptions, there represented. It then became obvious that the work accomplished by local Committees should be so arranged that the aggregate total in the State should adequately represent the same total of personal and organized effort, and also that such work should aid in every possible way local and State health departments. The work accomplished by your Committee therefore has been, along these lines and represents the work done by the various organizations represented on the Health Committee.

The relief unit which has been called the Emergency Relief Unit has collected and formulated a scheme which has been typewritten and placed in the hands of members of the Committee and all the physicians in town. It gives the names and telephone call of the members of the Committee, Doctors, Trained Nurses and graduates of the Red Cross First Aid classes; the address and telephone call of owners of motor trucks, motors, and drivers who have signified their willingness to respond night or day to emergency calls, and such other valuable information in regard to places of refuge, hospital supplies, stretchers, mattresses and blankets, food, directions for obtaining the aid, if needed, of Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and Phillips Academy Students.

The Chairman has made three trips to Camp Devens and two trips to Boxford in the interests of young men from Andover, and has also vaccinated and inoculated against typhoid many young men who went from Andover's first call for volunteers.

The advice and council of the District Health Officer has also been placed at the disposal of our Committee. The Committee feel and trust that they have

the first year's activities, but because the data secured in connection with the work offers so much for the years to come even though the war should end. Men, women, and children have learned the value of using idle hours through this particular department, and have learned to work in a way to be of inestimable value in the future. Many people have learned to respect the science of agriculture to the advantage of not only the people themselves but the agricultural interests at large.

The other departments are passed over here, not because they are less important but because they have had up to the present time less demand made upon them. One agency of the Andover committee that should not be overlooked by any of our citizens who have had an interest in Andover's almost daily response in one form or another to the demands of war, is the treasurer of the local committee. Not only as the responsible financial man in connection with the many petty details involved in handling all the contributions of the eleven hundred or more local subscribers, but in performing a similar service for one or another of the associated activities, the people at large are under a generous debt to Mr. Holland of the National Bank for service efficiently rendered and for personal interest so generously given.

While the treasurer's report covers only the direct activity of the committee itself, the committee has had either a direct or indirect responsibility for earnest and active aid given by it as an organization and by many of its members in leadership and help; in raising funds for the Red Cross, in helping the Y. M. C. A., the Y. W. C. A., Halifax Relief, and the Red Cross campaign.

For the loyal support and never failing help and interest of the entire community in the work that has thus far been carried on, and the promise all this makes for the future, the committee desires in this connection to extend its hearty thanks.

JOHN N. COLE, Chairman
JOHN C. ANGUS, Secretary

Aid to Aliens

In making the report for the committee on Aid to Aliens, would say the greater part of our work was performed soon after the organization was perfected. It was with the able assistance of the Superintendents or some of their workers that we were able to check up all aliens employed in the various mills and factories. And on recommendation of the owners, all male employees were directed to become citizens or declare their intentions.

This was generally practiced all through the town. The work of the committee was published in the Andover Townsman from week to week, and we think it unnecessary to reprint. We also kept in close touch with the naturalization court and, numerous subjects were informed from time to time when the court was in session. Through the courtesy of John N. Cole we were presented with pamphlets in book form on Guide to Citizenship which were also very freely distributed. It is with the utmost sorrow we mention the death of two members of our committee, the late Charles McDermitt, for many years employed by Smith and Dove; and Dan Hilton, Superintendent of the Marland Mills.

W. C. CROWLEY

Chairman Committee on Aid to Aliens

Home Guard

The work of the Home Guard Committee has been confined to the formation of a Home Guard Company in Andover and the story of the Committee's work is a story of the formation and progress of this Company.

At a meeting of the Committee held on April 11, 1917, it was voted to issue immediately a call for volunteers in order that a company could be formed as expeditiously as possible, to be prepared for any events which would call for the services of such an organization. The response to this call was very gratifying; about one hundred citizens gathered for the first drill, which was held in the town hall, under the direction of Edgar G. Holt, who was placed in charge of the Company as Captain, with Pierson S. Page as 1st Lieutenant, and Percival Dove as 2nd Lieutenant. The floor space in the town hall was entirely inadequate for drilling purposes, and Phillips Academy kindly offered the use of the Borden gymnasium, an offer which was very gladly accepted.

In June the members of the Company voted to join the State Guard, and after inspection the company was mustered in on the evening of July 5, 1917, and became Company H of the 16th regiment, M. S. G. There are now sixty-three men enrolled in the Company and drills are held on Thursday evenings at the Borden gymnasium. The men have been equipped by the state with hats, shirts, coats, trousers and leggings, and overcoats. The men have also been furnished with rifles and cartridge belts.

The Company has made several creditable public appearances, and has participated willingly in those affairs which served some patriotic purpose.

The drill work has been confined to close order formation, manual of arms,

guard duty, and setting up exercises. During the past few weeks short hikes have been taken as part of the physical exercise work. The plans for future work include bayonet drill, target practice and first aid work.

The present officers of the Company are Captain Pierson S. Page, who succeeded Captain Holt, when the latter was promoted to the position of Major in the 16th regiment; 1st Lieut. Gerard Chapin, 2nd Lieut. Jesse Billington, Lieut. Percival Dove resigned from the Company when he received the commission as Major of the Ordnance Department of the National Army.

The present roster of the company is as follows:

Capt P. S. Page; 1st Lieut. G. Chapin; 2nd Lieut. J. Billington; 1st Sgt. H. G. Tyler; Sgt. H. A. Bodwell, Sgt. N. C. Harblin, Sgt. C. D. Thompson, Sgt. W. A. Stevens, Sgt. W. D. Yates, Corp. M. J. O'Connor, Corp. A. Robb, Corp. D. Robb, Corp. A. Bliss (musician); Privates C. D. Abbott, G. E. Abbott, J. F. Anderson, J. C. Angus, J. R. Bacon, R. H. Bradford, A. Brearley, F. A. Buttrick, G. W. Campbell, P. Campbell, E. T. Brewster, F. L. Carrie, G. A. Christie, A. H. Coats, A. N. Comeau, J. Connolly, C. W. Davis, J. Devermond, R. T. Dobbie, T. L. Dodge, L. G. Germaine, E. Downs, J. M. Gorrie, J. F. Gorrie, F. H. Hall, C. Gray, H. Gray, H. F. Holt, A. Harkins, H. S. Hopper, R. C. Kibbee, D. S. Lindsay, F. H. Ladd, T. Low, A. S. Lundgren, G. E. Merrill, J. K. Nicoll, R. Miller, J. E. Parquette, A. Ruhl, D. H. Ren, L. C. Ropes, A. P. Thompson, R. W. Thompson, P. F. Ripley, H. K. Veazie, F. Valentine, E. M. Weeks, O. W. Tower, J. E. West.

EDGAR G. HOLT

Chairman Home Guard Committee

Finance

The Chairman of the Committee on Public Safety has asked me to make some comment on the report of the Treasurer which is herewith published. As Chairman of the Finance Committee, I am very glad to do this, because the report seems to me highly creditable and the response made by the people of Andover was in every way most generous. Money was supplied most liberally by a very large number of givers; a great many citizens gave much time and thought to the work, entirely without compensation.

The account shows, roughly, total receipts from members, guarantors and contributors of over \$4200. In addition to this, more than \$3300, was pledged, but not called for.

The total expenses were a little under \$2100, leaving unexpended \$2184.27. Of these expenses, it should be noted that the farm operations cost \$784.92 more than the amount received, the larger items being the charge for plowing, of \$275, and the charge for Garden Supervisor, of \$326. Nearly \$750, were spent in behalf of Battery F and the Andover men at Camp Devens, and \$100, was devoted to the Home Guard account. It would appear that about 1200 bushels of seed potatoes were sold. If all these were planted and an average yield of six bushels for one was received, this would give 7200 bushels, worth \$1.50 per bushel, — over \$10,000. How much of these would have been raised if it had not been for the efforts of the Food Conservation Committee, it is, of course, impossible to say, but one-half at least would not have been raised without them.

The canning operations carried on by the Women's Food Committee were conducted practically without expense to the Committee.

The outlay for general expenses was not large and the money was well used.

The other tasks of the Committee on Public Safety, such as the local survey and the relief work, have been well done, and preparation has been made by their efforts which will take care of many possible future contingencies.

ALFRED L. RIPLEY
Chairman Finance Committee

TREASURER'S REPORT, APRIL 1, 1917, TO SEPTEMBER 30, 1917

MEMBERSHIP FEES
645 Members at \$1.00 \$645.00
48 Members at .50 24.00
80 Members at .25 20.00
689.00

GUARANTEES
Amount pledged by guarantors \$3,250.00. Call for one half of amount guaranteed, 1625.00

PLEDGES
Amount pledged by 213 individuals: \$3410.00. Call for one half of the amount pledged 1705.00 —3350.00

SPECIAL CONTRIBUTIONS
From 37 individuals 248.69
Miscellaneous Receipts 3.78
INTEREST ON BANK DEPOSIT 10.11
\$4281.58

EXPENDITURES
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Auto Hire 2.00
Myerscough & Buchan 85
S. T. Shattuck & Son 20.66
Postage 41.83
Printing, Andover Press 193.50
Salaries 9.00
H. K. Cannon 202.50
Miss Lovejoy 33.61
Telephone 14.25
Typewriter Rental C. W. Cannon 315.70

Auto Hire 15.00
T. F. Morrissey & Son 435.94
Blankets for Andover drafted men at Camp Devens 1.65
Farley, Harvey & Co. 198.47
Less discount 196.82

Appropriations
Co. B. 302d M. G. Bn. Camp Devens 25.00
Home Guard Co. 114, 16th Reg. 100.00
Miscellaneous 125.00
Oil Heaters, Andover drafted men at Camp Devens 67.60
Printing and Supplies, Andover Press 1.70
846.06

FARMING OPERATIONS
(Food P. C. Com. itemized below) 784.92
CANNING OPERATIONS
(Women's Food Com. itemized below) 30.10
Total Expenses 2,097.31

UNEXPENDED FUNDS
Deposit—Andover Nat'l Bank 1184.27
Invested—U. S. Gov't. Liberty Loan 4's 1000.00
2184.27
4281.58

FINANCE COMMITTEE
Postage 9.93
Printing, Andover Press 103.23
Miscellaneous 1.40
114.55

LOCAL SURVEY
Printing, Andover Press 16.00

HOME GUARD
Transportation of Andover members of "Battery F" Lowell Army and return, B. & M. R. R. 314.94
Jitney 14.00
T. F. Morrissey & Son 107.00
435.94

Auto Hire
T. F. Morrissey & Son 15.00
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Invested—

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BALLARDVALE

Mrs. Belle Fleming of Swanton, Vt., is visiting relatives in the village.

Mrs. Leon E. Knox of Wollaston, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stott, River street.

Mrs. F. A. Everett was called away suddenly to Franklin by the critical illness of her mother.

Miss Rita Trow is spending her vacation with Mr. and Mrs. George S. Forbes of Cambridge.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Edwin Shaw and son of Melrose Highlands, spent the past few days with the former's mother, Mrs. Martha Shaw, Center street.

The regular meeting of Ballardvale lodge will be held next Monday evening, Mrs. Lizzie S. Barnes will have charge of the special good of the order.

The Congregational Ladies' Aid Society, will meet Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, with Mrs. J. H. Smith. All members and all who wish to become members, are cordially invited to be present.

Robert Stafford, who spent Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Stafford, returned to Washington, D. C., on Wednesday, where he acts as secretary to Julius Rosenwald, of the Council of National Defense.

A service flag with four stars was displayed at the Congregational church Sunday, and one with six stars was displayed at the B. A. A. ch. b. These flags are a constant reminder of the faithfulness and patriotism of our boys at the front.

There was a good attendance at the Methodist Christmas Tree held in the church vestry on Tuesday evening. George Brown acted the role of Santa Claus in a satisfactory manner. The entertainment consisted of recitations and singing by the children which greatly pleased all present.

The Christ mass music at the Congregational church Sunday, was exceptionally good. The vocal solo by Miss Thelma Wanamaker was the feature of the morning service and was rendered in a remarkably brilliant and artistic manner. Rev. A. H. Fuller preached a sermon on "Peace and Good Will" that was brim full of the Christmas spirit.

Dr. M. E. King, Missionary Evangelist of Waverley will be at the Methodist church for four days' services with his stereopticon, and hundreds of first class views, commencing on Friday evening, January 4. He comes back to Ballardvale at the unanimous request of a crowded house last year. The high quality of his lectures and views are well known to all people in our village. A cordial invitation is extended anyone in the village to attend, irrespective of creed.

NOTICE

WE wish to advise our many Andover patrons that our motor visits Andover every Friday. Goods collected on this day will be returned the following week. We desire to call particular attention to our Laundry. We consider our work in this department the best.

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CAROL SERVICE

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and after a period of convalescence in the hospital would be sent out on trains to the Northwest of Canada to their home town. She saw the arrival of a transport with 1200 wounded men from Vimy Ridge. Many of these men had lost an arm and a leg, or even two arms, many of them seemed shot to pieces.

Miss Barr told of the great task before America. Great Britain had 2,000,000 cripples and America would doubtless have an equal number before victory comes. England has done her best; France is bleeding to death, and Germany, with fresh troops released from Russian defenses, is fighting more in tenacity than ever. Seventeen nations and 25,000,000 men have failed to defeat her, and the task before America is a big one. The American women must fully realize that they must be prepared to do for the returned crippled boys what Canada is doing. They must mobilize their forces and after that specialize or do what each one can do best.

This efficiency is what counts and Germany is winning because she is efficient. After efficiency is secured then the next step is to standardize. The former high standards had been lost sight of. It is a time for honest self examination, not a pleasant task, but one that must be done. Another point was to fraternize.

All must pull together and class feeling must be broken down. This is no time for personal feelings in politics, religion or social life. Jews, Catholics, Protestants, must work for a common end. A long struggle seems to be before America but when she is fully awakened, victory will come.

The service was enjoyed by all present and the committee deserves credit for furnishing such a profitable and pleasant entertainment.

The service was under the general direction of Mrs. T. Franklin Pratt; the general committee consisting of Mrs. V. D. Harrington and Miss Ethel A. Hitchcock, assisted by Mrs. James H. Morris, Mrs. Louis Huntress, Mrs. Guy W. Gilbert, Miss Sarah Mackeown, and Miss Grace Jenkins.

Thrift Thought

Don't throw away stale bread and left-over skim milk, Madam Housewife. From them you can make that simple and well-known but nourishing dish, milk toast, the United States Department of Agriculture points out. This makes a good dish for breakfast, luncheon, or supper, especially for children.

Heat the milk. Add a small quantity of butter and season to taste with salt. Pour while hot over well-toasted stale bread and serve.

"OVER THE TOP"

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Bushnell as aid. Mrs. Parmenas Partridge, with Mrs. John Houghton Flint. Mrs. Thomas W. Platt, Mrs. Margaret Nickels as aids. Mrs. James C. Sawyer, with Mrs. H. Dana Bevis, Miss Euphemia Fenwick, Mrs. Ralph Ingram, Mrs. Frank O'Brien, Miss Shapleigh, Mrs. C. W. Scott as aids. Miss Charlotte M. Hill, with Mrs. A. C. Huggins and Mrs. William McEwan as aids. Mrs. John McGrath, chairman, with aids. Frank H. Hardy, chairman, with Mrs. Arthur Boutwell, Mrs. E. W. Boutwell, Mrs. Howard Cates, Miss Georgianna Chase, Mrs. James J. Feeney, Mrs. Milo Gould, Miss Gertrude Morgan, Mrs. George Rennie, Mrs. J. A. Morrill, Mrs. J. Warren Moor, Frederick E. Cheever, Miss Louise Hardy, chairman, with Miss Florence Abbott, Miss Agnes Cumming, Miss Mildred Cole, Miss Beatrice Glover, Miss Madge Higgins, Miss Margery Morrill, Miss Edith Kendall, Miss M. E. Riley, Miss Florence West, Miss Jennie Wetterberg, Alfred E. Stearns, chairman, with Allen R. Benner, Frederick E. Newton, John L. Phillips, George F. French, C. F. Platteicher, Mabel L. Jones, F. W. H. Stott, Lester E. Lynde, Roy S. Haggard, Arthur B. Darling, Howard W. Church, Samuel N. Baker, Frank O'Brien, Oswald Tower, Guy H. Eaton, Frederick M. Boyer, Arthur W. Leonard, Charles A. Parmelee, C. K. Bancroft, Geo. W. Hinman, Archibald Freeman, James C. Graham.

Ballardvale Publicity: William Shaw, chairman. House-to-house, Mrs. Martha Gagan, chairman, with Mrs. William Matthews, Mrs. William Clemons, Mrs. M. W. Harwood, Miss Catherine Trow, Miss Wood, Miss Lizzie Rowland, Mrs. J. J. McKee, Mrs. Pearson, Mrs. B. F. Stafford, Mrs. Thomas O'Donnell, Mrs. Mollie Cronin, Mrs. George Miller, Mrs. Eldon Fleury, Miss Elizabeth Henderson, Mrs. Charles Davies, Miss Anna Davies, Mrs. Salmon Walker, Miss Etta Greenwood, Miss Martha Byington.

The treasurers were William C. Crowley for the town and Miss Byington for Ballardvale.

The committees for the several mills were: Carlisle Cord Tire Co.: F. B. Carlisle, W. E. Ludlum, William Morgan. Ballardvale Mills: Howell F. Wilson, chairman, with John Wood, Henry Black, Charles W. Clark, William Matthews, Lawrence Riley, James Scott, Andrew Stead.

Smith & Dove Co.: Roy E. Bradford, Tyler Rubber Co.: W. Dudley Yates, chairman, with Wallace Angus, Louis Buck, Fred Collins, John Callahan, Edward Cole, James Daley, George Germain, James Gillespie, Benjamin Hibbert, Samuel Harris, Lawrence Hannon, Everett Hilton, Ernest King, James Kyle, William Lewallen, Robert Lockhead, Charles Morse, George Morse, Daniel Mannion, Walter S. Rhodes, Peter Saunders, Roland Thompson, Ernest Wendell.

Stevens Mill: J. H. Higginson, with Daniel Lowden and Charles Davis.

December 26, 1917

To the Editor of the Townsman:—

My dear Mr. Cole: In behalf of the Andover and Ballardvale Executive Committee for the Red Cross Membership Campaign, allow me to express to you our thanks for your large contribution toward the success of the effort which has just ended.

The best contribution which a newspaper can give is on its editorial and front pages, and the record shows that you gave us of your best. The publicity thus afforded to the immediate campaign meant much to the canvassers, and prepared the way before them. We have appreciated both the space given to news and your own earnest words of appeal.

Thanking you for the campaign committee and also for the permanent Andover officers of the Red Cross, I am Yours very truly,

FRANK R. SHIPMAN,
Chairman of the Andover Executive Committee.

December 26, 1917.

To Messrs. Timothy J. Donovan, Bernard L. McDonald, Charles S. Buchanan, and Charles J. Francis, Gentlemen:—

In behalf of the Andover Executive Committee for the Red Cross Membership Campaign, allow me to convey to you this expression of our thanks for your generous support in the effort which has just ended so finely.

During the days when we needed headquarters, two of you gave us the use of a clean and airy store, thoroughly warmed and excellently lighted, and took upon yourselves all the expense. To the other two of you we owe the use of furniture for the room, and this again cost the Red Cross nothing.

Before the campaign began, we had not fully realized the advantages of the location and the attractiveness which it could have in its warmth, brightness and proper furnishing; but the opening of the room at once revealed the facts. Towards three hundred enrolled themselves at Headquarters as members of the Society. The possession of such a place meant much to the cause throughout the week.

Thanking you both for the executive committee of the campaign and for the permanent Andover officers of the Red Cross, I am

Yours very truly,
FRANK R. SHIPMAN,
Chairman of the Andover Executive Committee.

THE HONOR ROLL

REGULAR ARMY

GENERAL PERSHING'S STAFF, FRANCE

Lieut. Col. Marlborough Churchill, 101st Heavy Artillery.

102nd FIELD ARTILLERY

Lieut. Markham W. Stackpole, Chaplain.

Battery F of Lowell

Sergeant George A. Abbott

Corporal George M. Collins

John K. Converse

James Joseph Daley

Charles De Fazio

J. Everett Collins

Walter Grout

Edgar Dodds

Ralph Partridge

Harold Larkin

Eldred Larkin

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James Buss

George H. Saunders

John M. Erving

Edward Lawson

Warren Harte

Cornelius J. Hart

John Baker

Guy Webster

Ralph DeFazio

Byron E. Morrill, Ordnance Corps

Headquarters

Paul M. Cheney

George C. Napier

1st Lieut. William B. Higgins

Battery C of Lawrence

James Dugan

Thomas Davies

101st FIELD ARTILLERY

Courtney Adams Smith, France

THIRD FIELD ARTILLERY

Sergeant Brooks Cheever, Ft. Sam Houston, San Antonio, Texas.

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OFFICERS

Capt. Bartlett H. Hayes, National Army, Infantry, Columbia, So. Carolina

2nd Lieut. William J. Cronin, France

101st INFANTRY (9th Mass. Co. F) France

Sergeant James W. Ramesden

Edward Elford

John Campbell

John O'Neill

Charles Young

Elmer Davis

James Moore

John Murphy

101st LIGHT ARTILLERY

BATTERY C

Herbert F. Cheever

102nd INFANTRY (8th Mass. Co. I)

Corporal Edward Partridge

Francis C. Huxley

William P. Rennie

William McMahon

James B. Valentine

Ernest Green

John C. Ross

Charles Fairbrother

Hugh Moore, Camp Greene, Charlotte, N. C.

James B. Valentine, 10th Regt., 26th Division, 52d Brigade, France.

William Lowe, Co. L, 103d Regt., U. S. Infantry, 26th Division, A. E. F., France.

102nd INFANTRY CO. H.

Harold White

102 M. G. B. CO. A, FRANCE

John J. Shevin

Walter E. Strout

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Capt. Harry B. Erving, Engineers Reserve Corps, Ft. Leavenworth, Kan.

Arthur L. Burnett, Co. C, 9th Engineers, Camp Stewart, El Paso, Texas.

John Symonds, Ft. Brown, Brownsville, Texas.

1st Lieut. Harold S. Wilkins, New Haven, Conn.

Maj. Percival Dove, Camp Meade, Md.

Walter J. O'Connell, Ft. Slocum, Camp Meade, Md.

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George W. Wilcox

William H. Greenhow

Corporal Edward D. O'Connell

Frank D. R. Valpey

Corporal James F. Welch

William H. Nicoll

Robert Magee

Harry Sprunt

Robert Magee, 137 Canal Detachment, Block F, Regt. Infantry.

AVIATION CORPS

Lieut. Joseph Myerscough, M. I. T.

Sergeant William S. Jewett, Jr., 40th Aero, Selfridge Aviation Field, Mt. Clemens, Mich.

Raymond S. Conroy (awaiting orders)

Timothy A. Madden, 47th Aero Kelly Field, San Antonio, Texas.

George Eldred, 68th Aero Thomas Rodgers, 66th Aero Timothy A. Madden, 63rd Aero Warren Wilcox, 96th Aero Kelly Field, San Antonio, Texas.

2nd Lieut. Gerald A. Towle, Ft. Omaha, Omaha, Neb.

Neil Cronin, Aero Headquarters, Washington, D. C.

Edward Wilson, Mechanic, San Antonio, Texas.

Henry Phelps, 59th Aero Frank R. Petty, 465th Aero, Call Field, Wichita Falls, Texas.

James L. Petty

Kenneth C. Foster, M. I. T. Training.

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Ralph Shattuck, Kelly Field, San Antonio, Texas.

George C. Henderson, Aviation Field, San Antonio, Tex.

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George Macconachie, Ft. Slocum.

John Auchterlonie, Ft. Slocum.

Joseph Remmes, Ft. Slocum.

James J. Stewart, 1st Ballon School Battalion, Ft. Omaha, Neb.

Steven Sullivan, 1st Ballon School, Ft. Omaha, Neb.

MEDICAL CORPS

Christopher Shorten, Ft. Ethan Allen, Vermont.

Lindsay Ralph, Ft. Warren.

George L. Scott, Boston Hospital Unit.

Clifford W. Dunsell, Field Hospital 20, Sanitary Train 10th Div., Camp McClellan, Annapolis, Alabama.

Capt. Sidney M. McCurdy, Base Hospital No. 31, Allentown, Pa.

Frank B. Collins, Ft. Slocum.

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Sergeant Philip R. Lowe, Camp Arthur, Waco, Texas.

Charles Goldstein, Motor Truck Co. 30, San Antonio, Texas.

Cyril E. Pariseau, Ft. Slocum, N. Y.

Frank Crockett, Ft. Myer, Va.

James E. Conroy, So. Carolina.

Fred J. Willett, Fort Slocum, N. Y.

Douglas J. White, San Antonio, U. S. Battleship.

John Sullivan, Ft. Slocum.

Steven Boland, Ft. Slocum.

Harry Coles, Ft. Slocum.

John J. Sullivan, Barracks J 17, Camp Johnson, Jacksonville, Fla.

Charles O'Connell, Camp Devens, Ayer, Mass.

Norman Smith, Camp Johnson, Jacksonville, Fla.

Harry Coles, Camp Johnson, Jacksonville, Fla.

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AMBUCLANCE, FRANCE

1st Lieut. John R. Abbot, Sec. 85, American Expeditionary Forces.

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Chester E. Morse, New London, Conn.

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CAMP DEVENS, AYER

1st Lieut. George E. Abbot, Headquarters Co., 301st Infantry.

2nd Lieut. Ludwig K. Moorehead, 302nd Infantry.

2nd Lieut. Charles L. Waid, Co. E, 301st Infantry.

2nd Lieut. James W. Feeney, Quartermaster Corps, motor truck train.

2nd Lieut. Philip W. Thomson, assistant to the Division Quartermaster.

2nd Lieut. James K. Seiden, Acting Sgt. Alexander M. Ness.

Corporal Augustine E. Conroy

Corporal Thomas P. Dea

Corporal Harold S. Cates

Philip S. Cheever

Michael J. Donovan

Patrick J. Tucker